

MURRAY, C.I.O. INDICTED

Charged With Violating 1-H Act

By Gerald Cook

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—A federal grand jury today indicted the CIO and its president, Philip Murray, for violation of the Taft-Hartley Act's statute barring political activity by labor unions.

The indictment, sought by the Justice Department, charged Murray and the CIO with participating in the successful campaign of Rep. Edward A. Garmatz (D-Md) in a special congressional election in Baltimore last summer.

Attorney General Tom Clark, commenting on the indictment, announced the FBI is preparing "additional prosecutions" against other alleged violations of the provision.

The CIO leader will be defended by Lee Pressman, former CIO general counsel, and Frank Donner, of the CIO legal department. Arraignment has been set for Feb. 20.

Murray, in a statement issued here, declared the CIO was singled out for prosecution by the federal government because it chose to exercise its constitutional right to freedom of expression and freedom of speech.

The CIO head welcomed the case as a test of the slave law statute. He said he hoped the proceedings "would

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enable the courts of the United States to rule again that no act of Congress can abridge our basic constitutional rights."

The indictment held that the CIO News' publication of an endorsement of Garmatz by Murray in its July, 14, 1947, issue was a direct violation of the Taft-Hartley Act.

The public endorsement of Garmatz, Murray said, was designed to test the constitutionality of the law.

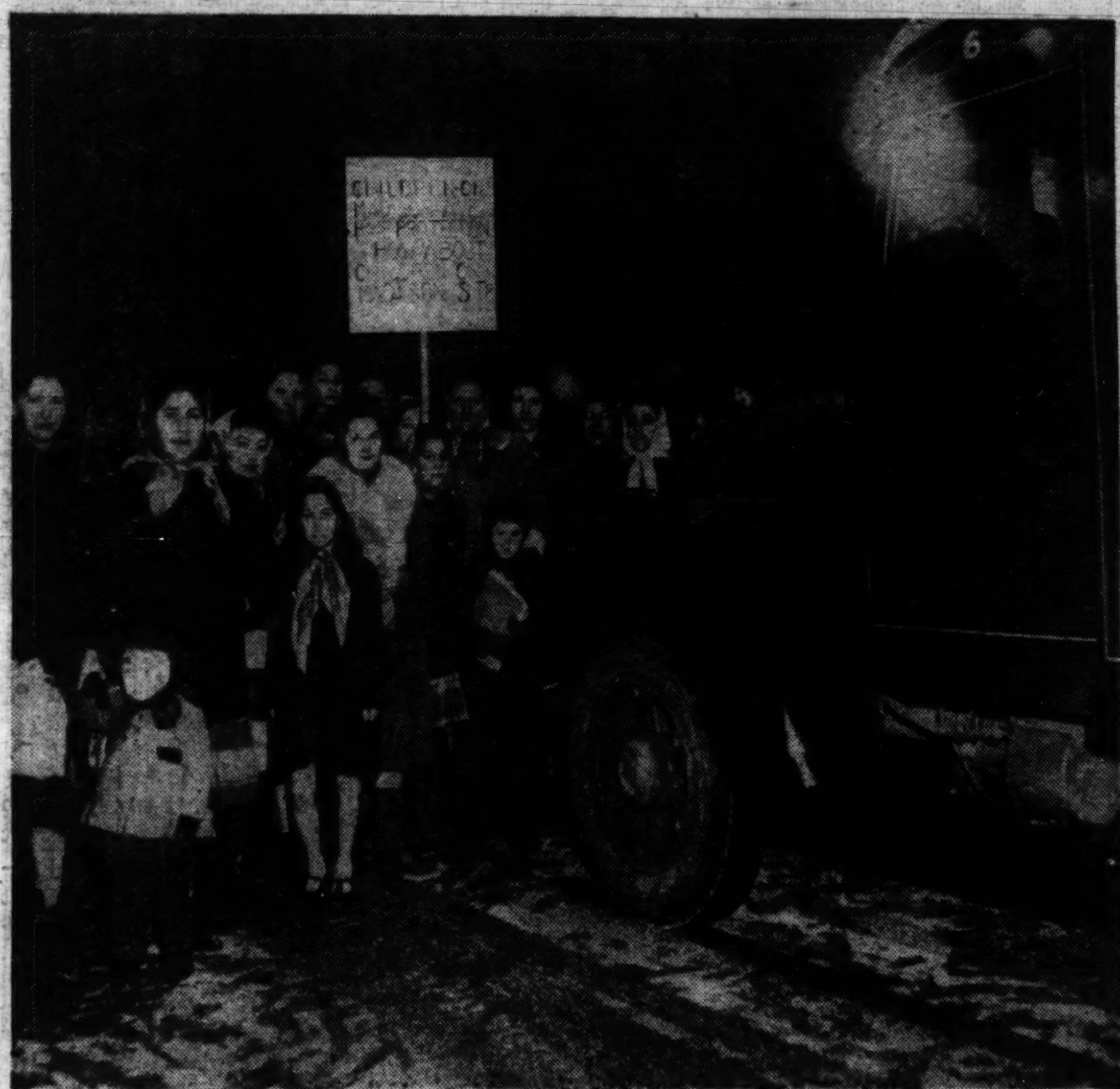
"More, much more, than the right of Philip Murray to issue political statements through the 'CIO News' is involved in this case. The vitally important freedom of the entire press is involved," he declared.

The proceedings, marking the first Justice Department attempt to prosecute unions for endorsing political candidates, were initiated Monday with the questioning of four CIO officers before the grand jury.

Clark's announcement that the Justice Department was contemplating a crackdown on other labor organizations followed a statement in which he sought to convey the impression the Department regarded the indictment solely as a test case.

"This statute," he stated, "can present a problem in the accommodation of the constitutional power of the

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MOTHERS PROTEST: East Side mothers stop a truck from crossing at Scammel and Madison Sts., in protest over the city's failure to provide police protection for school children in P. S. 147. The women were aroused over the recent death of a seven-year-old boy by a truck. Story on Page 3.

—Daily Worker Photo by Peter

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Soviets Issue Documents On Munich Plots

MOSCOW, Feb. 11 (UP).—Russia charged tonight that Great Britain and France connived with Adolf Hitler in hatching World War II by appeasing him, hoping to get him to attack the Soviet Union.

Shipyard Meet Seats Smelter Union Splitters

Special to the Daily Worker

CLEVELAND, Feb. 11.—John Green, president of the Marine & Shipbuilding Workers Union and his administration today won the first and decisive test of the 13th annual convention of the organization, and apparently were headed for re-election.

The vote came on a report of the credentials committee to seat a delegation of disruptionists who had seceded from the CIO Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union. Green's proposal of acceptance was endorsed by a vote of 259 1/3 to 123 2/3.

Green ruled that the delegates from the "Progressive Metal Workers Council," as they have styled themselves, could vote on their own seating. They cast a block of 71 favorable votes.

Locals voting against acceptance of the metal workers, were: 1, 2, 5, 13, 22, 39, 49 and 60. Local 29 cast a divided vote, with 6 2/3 against the seating.

No sooner had the results been announced than Green recognized a resolution which called upon the officers of the union to prepare a form of federation for the union which will embrace "any other major industries."

It is open knowledge that the union now intends to enter into a widespread raiding campaign with special attention to the CIO unions that have refused to qualify under the Taft-Hartley Act. In this move, Green has stepped ahead of Walter Reuther, president of the UAW, who is reported to be eyeing other jurisdictions.

The daily torrent of red-baiting at the shipbuilders convention was poured out today with the assistance of Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., who denounced the third party movement and called for exclusion of Communists from all liberal movements.

In the process, it was asserted, Britain and France betrayed Austria and Czechoslovakia.

The accusation was made in the second installment of a reply by the official Soviet Information Bureau to the German Foreign Office documents on Nazi-Russian relations made public by the State Department in Washington.

Russia's statement tonight cited, in turn, German documents seized by the Red Army as authority for its charges against Britain and France.

It was announced that another instalment of the Russian reply would come soon.

(In the first, issued in Moscow Monday night, Russia asserted that the United States financed the Nazi war machine while Britain and France appeased Hitler, and that all three thus made the war possible.)

CITE 3 DOCUMENTS

Three German documents were cited by Russia tonight in support of the charge against Britain and France:

- A summary of a talk between Hitler and the Earl of Halifax, then Lord President of the Council in the British Cabinet and later Foreign Secretary, at Obersalzberg on Nov. 19, 1937.

- A summary of a talk between Hitler, his Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop, and the late Neville Henderson, British ambassador to Germany, in Berlin on March 3, 1938.

- A report to the Berlin Foreign Office by Herbert von Dirksen, German ambassador to Britain, on July 5, 1938.

BACKGROUND OF TALKS

The background of these talks is that Hitler seized Austria on March 12, 1938; the Munich conference giving Germany part of Czechoslovakia was held in September, 1938, and Hitler took over all Czechoslovakia March 15, 1939.

Russia concentrated tonight on Britain and France, and there was but one brief reference to the United States. Until lately, the Soviet statement said it was customary to blame the "treachery" of Britain and France alone for the Munich appeasement. But, it added:

"The fact that the American (Continued on Page 10)

Chicago Typos Refuse to Set 'Hot' Copy

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—AFL printers in eight of the largest commercial print shops here voted today to refuse to set advertisements scheduled to appear in the five struck Chicago daily newspapers.

The action was taken by the commercial printers, members of the same local union as the striking newspaper printers, Chicago Typographical Union No. 16, at informal shop meetings.

The solidarity movement was reported today to be spreading.

It is the first instance of rank-and-file workers directly challenging provisos in the Taft-Hartley law designed to force workers to scab on strikers by handling struck work.



A Hopeless Wait: Gathered about the blanket-shrouded body of one of the eight workers killed in a coal mine explosion at Greenwood, Ark., grim-faced relatives and friends seek to identify the victim.

CHIANG'S AUSTERE 'HIGH CLASS BROTHELS'

SHANGHAI, Feb. 11 (UP).—The government explained today that "high class brothels" were not included in the new cabaret ban because sing-song girls would have no economic futures.

Chiang Kiung-Dien, chairman of the Austerity Committee of the Executive Yuan, said cabaret girls have been trained to wait on tables and could get jobs as waitresses or in other professions.

"It's a question of livelihood," he said. "Girls in high class brothels wouldn't be able to get any other kind of work."

The decision to close cabarets—most of them by March 1 and the remainder by Sept. 1—was an outgrowth of the government's austerity program to get people to quit spending foolishly and cut down consumption of foreign-made luxuries.

Two cabarets will be permitted to remain open. These are in Tsingtao, headquarters of the U. S. Navy's West Pacific forces.

The Chinese government decided American sailors needed entertainment.

Williamson Bail Hearing Scheduled for Tomorrow

By Bernard Burton

The right of the Justice Department to hold John Williamson, Communist Party labor secretary, without bail, will be contested in U. S. District court 11 a.m. tomorrow (Friday), it was announced yesterday. A writ of habeas corpus, returnable Friday, was signed yesterday morning by U. S. District Court Judge Edward A. Conger.

The attempt to frame Williamson is the first known attempt to deport a native-born American to the country of his parents' origin, in this case Scotland.

Williamson was born in San Francisco 45 years ago. In 1906 the great San Francisco fire destroyed most of the city's birth records including his. His citizenship, however, had not been questioned during his long career of public activity, which began when, as a youth of 16, he took part in the Seattle General Strike of 1919.

NOT CHALLENGED BEFORE

Williamson's citizenship was not even disputed during J. Edgar Hoover's deportation delirium of the early twenties. During that pe-

riod Williamson was already prominent in the leftwing youth movement.

The denial of bail for Williamson was seen by lawyers as an attempt to set a precedent for holding victims indefinitely at Ellis Island while their cases are fought out in the courts. Gerhart Eisler is also being held at Ellis Island with bail.

Williamson's attorneys, Mrs. Carol King and David Freedman, will argue for his release Friday morning before Judge Conger in U. S. District Court at Foley Square, Room 506.

It was recalled that attempts to hold deportation victims without bail during the Palmer Raids were declared illegal in a Federal Court ruling of the early twenties.

Rap Arrest Of Williamson

Special to the Daily Worker

FLINT, Mich., Feb. 11.—Auto unionists here protested the arrest of John Williamson, national labor secretary of the Communist Party.

Joe Berry, president of Buick Local 599 said, "This arrest is absolutely unfair and is against the best interests of the entire labor movement. It means cutting off anyone who has spoken out against the Taft-Hartley act and sets a precedent to black out all labor leaders."

ATTACK ON UNIONS

Jack Palmer, president of Chevrolet Local 659, said, "The ulterior motive behind this arrest is to muzzle labor."

Don Stevenson, former editor of the Flint Weekly Review, said, "Any pretext now will do to quiet men who lead the fight against Taft-Hartley acts. It was Williamson yesterday. Now Murray gets indicted. We must begin to move."

Bill Genske, Fisher Body Local 581, said, "Williamson's arrest was done with all the flare of the Palmer raids, with the followup to smash the labor movement."

Jessie Governor, NAACP leader, said, "Freedom of liberty suffered a real blow when Williamson was arrested. I stand ready to help in his defense, because that means defending a friend of my people and the labor movement."

Other labor leaders in Flint who protested were Casper Kenney, former state legislator; Tom Kells, of Chevrolet Local; and Harry Abramik and Beatrice Layle of AC Spark.

Soviet Musicians Taken to Task

MOSCOW, Feb. 11.—The Central Committee of the Communist Party today criticized the Soviet Union's big three composers and the Soviet music world in general for creating and encouraging anti-democratic works.

The committee laid down a four-part program which all concerned must follow — composers, music critics, the Moscow Conservatory and the arts committee of the government.

Dmitri Shostakovich, Aram Khachaturian and Sergei Prokofiev, the "Big Three" whose works are played throughout the world, were singled out for the main blast of the committee, along with four lesser composers—Vissarion Y. Shebalin, Gavril Popov, Nikolai Minskovsky and Vano Muradeli.

It was understood the committee's blast was the result of the new opera, *Great Friendship*, by Muradeli.

The work had its first—and only—rendition at a closed performance at the Bolshoi Theater here Nov. 7, the anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution, with Premier Joseph Stalin and other government leaders present. It was the only work specifically mentioned by the central committee.

PROGRAM FOR MUSIC

The opera which Stalin heard, composed by a man from his own native town of Gori in Georgia, was called historically and ideologically incorrect, with "inexpressive, poor, unharmonious, muddled" music.

M. P. Khrapchenko, who was dismissed last week as chairman of the arts committee, also was criticized.

The central committee's program

for the Soviet music world — in operatic, symphonic, choral and dance compositions—is:

- "The development in Soviet music of realistic direction, the foundation of which is recognition of the huge, progressive role of the classic heritage and especially of the traditions of the Russian musical school."

- "The utilization of this heritage and its further development."

- "The combination in music of a high content of artistic perfection and musical form."

- Recognition of the "truthfulness and reality of music, of its deep organic connection with the people and their music and songs; and of high professional art with simultaneous simplicity and accessibility of musical works."

The central committee said that those criticized had ignored warnings and instructions which it is-

sued in September, 1946, for the elimination of "bourgeois" influences and the creation of real Soviet art.

Of the "Big Three" the committee said their works "smell strongly of the spirit of the modern bourgeois music of Europe and America, which reflect the marasmus (emaciation or wasting away) of bourgeois culture, the complete denial of musical art" and of going up a blind musical alley.

The Moscow Conservatory was accused of following "this formalistic trend" and of turning out young composers "in blind imitation" of the big composers.

"Lately there has not been created a single Soviet opera which stands on the level of Russian opera classics," the committee said.

Operatic and symphonic music were especially condemned. Ballet music, for which Prokofiev is es-

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Ernst Redbait Wallace at House Hearing

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Morris Ernst, New York attorney, today told a House un-American subcommittee that Henry Wallace and the Third Party movement was a "night shirt" to conceal Communist activity. In making this charge at the final session of the five-day hearing, Ernst followed a pattern set by witnesses and committee members of using the sessions as a sounding board for attacking progressive causes which they happen to dislike.

Adolph A. Berle, chairman of the Liberal Party, attacked the American Labor Party, which he charged was dominated by Communists. Rep. John E. Rankin (D-Miss.) turned the hearings into a forum for his attack on Harlow Shapley, Harvard astronomer.

In the past five days Rep. Edward Hobert (D-La.) has attacked the Southern Conference for Human Welfare and Rep. John McDowell (R-Pa.), the CIO Electrical and Radio Workers.

The hearings, called to consider bills to outlaw or curb the Communist Party, were postponed indefinitely today after the subcommittee chairman, Rep. Richard Nixon (R-Calif.) broke both arms in an ice-fall.

BERLE OK'S MUNDT BILL

Berle endorsed the principles of the Mundt Bill, which would force Communists to register as foreign agents. However, he said the designations of the party by name in this measure would probably be held unconstitutional. He urged that the present foreign agents registration act be amended to apply to Communists.

Berle said this could be done by empowering the Attorney General to hold administrative inquiries of the Communist Party and other organizations. The Justice Department could "find" that these organizations were foreign agents and

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More Kids Must Die to Get Cop On East Side Corner, Mothers Told

By Louise Mitchell and Michael Singer

"There ain't enough accidents anyway."

This was the brutal reply given yesterday to a group of mothers by a police aide at City Hall when they protested the death of a seven-year-old at "death corner" near P.S. 147, Henry and Gouverneur Streets.

Besides, the cops are needed to protect scabs and strikebreaking employers, the delegation of mothers was informed, and couldn't be spared for school duty.

Angered by the child's death and City Hall's indifference, the women later formed a human chain to stop traffic at Scammel and Madison Streets, while they safely conducted more than 1,000 children across the jammed thoroughfare.

The women, most of whom live at Vladeck Houses on the lower East Side, stood steadfast in the snow, refused to budge or break

their lines even under police threats.

The stop-traffic action was taken at 3 p.m. after school let out at Henry and Gouverneur Streets. In the past year, two children have been killed and four injured near the school.

BOY, 7, KILLED

On Tuesday, William Schner, seven, was killed by a truck on his way to school as his mother watched him from her window at 33 Gouverneur St.

Two placards carried by the mothers revealed their bitterness. They read: "Children on Madison Ave. Have Protection. How About Children on Madison St.?" and "Enough Blood Splattered from Auto Accidents." "Parents Demand Police Protect Our Children."

When a policeman pushed Mrs. Ruth Kantrowitz of 668 Water St., who directed the human cordon, out of line in order to let cars through, the women shouted, "Leave her

alone, you! Take your hands off her."

One little shawled woman kept the scene lively by jumping in front of the policemen and taunting them with, "Down with the Democratic clubs."

The women were particularly incensed because all their requests, petitions, visits to the local police precinct and City Hall had not brought a single policeman to the scene for their children's protection.

Only then they threatened to stage a protest line, did the Police Department send four men to the spot, two of whom were in a radio car parked near the scene.

The women were also angry because they were told at city hall that police were needed to protect strikebreaking employers and could not be spared for school duty.

"We don't want to eat scab bread,"

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British Seize 679 Refugees

JERUSALEM, Feb. 11 (UP).—An illegal immigrant ship "Beleaguered Jerusalem," carrying 679 Jews got within 440 yards of the Palestine shore today, but was intercepted by the British navy and escorted to Haifa.

The immigrants—402 men, 216 women and 61 children—were shipped to Cyprus internment camps.

Lie Pledges UN Effort For Zion Partition

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Feb. 11 (UP).—Secretary-General Trygve Lie of the United Nations said today he was determined to do "everything" possible to carry out the partition of Palestine in the face of growing Arab resistance.

Lie told a news conference he had established an advance mission of four UN officials and two secretaries, which will go to Palestine "at an early date" to begin negotiations with the British there concerning the carrying out of partition.



ATTILIO ARIETTA, teller at a Bank of Manhattan Co. branch, was forced to open the door of his cage by two of three gunmen who held up the bank during the noon hour Tuesday and escaped with \$30,000.

1,000 Pack Hearing to Hit Dewey Budget

By Max Gordon

ALBANY, Feb. 11—Gov. Dewey's budget took a beating today from spokesmen of some 200 organizations representing all shades in the political spectrum. The annual public hearing on the budget opened at 1 p.m. and was still going strong at a late hour tonight.

Well over 1,000 parents, teacher representatives, public workers, unionists and others clogged the hallways, the galleries and the Assembly chamber where the hearing was held.

The halls and the chamber entrances were also clogged with state troopers.

Just before the hearing opened, the Governor, in a gesture of defiance, threw into the legislative hopper the bill embodying the program of his private committee for state aid to education.

Introducer in the Assembly was ironically, Assemblyman Frank Becker, (R-Nassau) one of the signers of the GOP rank-and-file petition circulated among legislators in protest against the Dewey proposals.

The Governor's program, calling for an increase of \$30,000,000 in State education, was called "shocking" and "totally inadequate" by city officials from New York City, Yonkers and Schenectady; by spokesmen from the New York State School Boards Association, the State Grange, the Central Schools Association, the Council of School Superintendents, the Public Education Association and the State Teachers Association.

BACK YOUNG BILL

Also the CIO Teachers Union, Joint Committee of Teacher Organizations, the United Parents Association, the CIO and AFL, the Communist and American Labor Parties, and a host of other statewide and local teacher, parent and education groups from every corner of New York.

All groups combined to support the Young-Milmoos measure, which would jack up education funds by \$103,000,000.

Most of them also backed funds

for school reconstruction and for a state university this year.

Lead-off man was William Reid, chairman of the New York City Transit Commission and of Mayor O'Dwyer's committee on administration. Reid spoke as representative of the city government.

Reid repeated Mayor O'Dwyer's "package request" for \$84,500,000 increase in state aid and for power to raise the fare and additional local taxes to the tune of \$83,345,000. The fare increase, he estimated, would raise \$51,200,000.

Reid took apart the state budget to show that more than \$700,000,000 in state surpluses had been accumulated from 1941 through 1947. And less than \$300,000,000 of this has been spent to date.

"It seems unnecessary to continue piling up these vast reserves, particularly when the localities are in such great need of funds," he pleaded, in arguing it was possible to grant New York City more funds without increasing taxes.

Reid disclosed that taxes "other than real estate" now make up 41 percent of the City's tax collections, far more than any other city. In 1934, he said, these taxes—chiefly nuisance taxes that burden the people—comprised only 16 percent of the city's collections.

He indirectly criticized the Dewey tax program by suggesting the state tax "those with the greatest ability to pay . . . instead of forcing the cities to levy sales taxes on those least able to pay. Democrats in the Legislature have, however, been chary on this issue.

General endorsement of the Mayor's "package plan" came from Austin Hogan of the Transport Workers Union. Hogan hit Dewey's rebate of income and corporate taxes and of unemployment insurance taxes to large companies.

The Mayor's proposals were also

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Grain Prices Tumble In Record Weekly Decline

CHICAGO, Feb. 11 (UP).—Grains and wholesale food prices tumbled today, with grains falling still lower in a market slump that in one week has surpassed even the decline in the first 10 weeks of the 1929 crash. Wholesale food prices across the nation dropped in the biggest price break in 17 months, and a city-by-city survey showed substantial decreases within the last week in retail food prices.

A late rally in the grain pits lifted several wheat futures from the bottom after they had skidded the permissible limits for a single day's trading, but all closed lower than yesterday. Corn prices generally closed off the limit.

The New York Stock Exchange staged a rally of its own, and stocks closed irregularly higher after a forenoon drop had carried them to a new low since May 28, 1947. Bonds were irregularly lower. Curb stocks and cotton futures closed lower.

BUTTER PRICES DROP

Wholesale butter and lard prices also dropped again. Cattle prices were steady, but hog prices rallied

for gains of 50 cents to \$1.50 per hundred pounds.

The week's losses in the grain pits were the biggest for any week since July, 1929, statisticians at the Chicago Board of Trade said. At the close today, wheat was 5½ to 10 cents a bushel lower than yesterday, corn 7¼ to eight cents lower, the latter the full trading limit; oats were ¾ to 3¼ cents lower; and soybeans finished at the limit of eight cents lower.

May wheat was down the full 10-cent limit for the fifth time in seven days. Since Jan. 18, it has dropped from an all-time high of \$3.06½ a bushel to \$2.37—a total loss of 69¼ cents a bushel. March and July wheat were off 8½ cents.

May, July and September corn dropped the full eight cents at

both Chicago and Kansas City. May and July wheat were down the 10-cent limit at Kansas City and Minneapolis.

Wholesale butter fell 1¼ to 2½ cents a pound at New York, and 1 to 2½ cents a pound at Chicago.

Wholesale food prices making up the Dun & Bradstreet index broke 37 cents during the week, for the biggest drop since Sept. 3, 1946. Except for a single week in 1946, it was the biggest drop in history.

In Chicago, harried traders jammed the wheat and corn pits trying to sell as the gong sounded for the opening of trade today. Brokerage houses said confidence in the market appeared to have evaporated.

LONDON, Feb. 11 (UP).—London's stock market slumped further today amid the gloom of Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Stafford Cripps' grim warning that Britain was falling by far to pay its way in the world and either must produce more or face economic ruin.

Continuing the steady fall which started last Friday and only halted briefly one day this week, the whole list of stocks went down with a selling wave at the market opening. The fall was only partly reversed when buyers started picking up bargains at low levels.

Manufacturing and heavy industry stocks all fell, including American stocks.

NAMES GAMBLER WHO MADE \$400,000 IN GRAIN DROP

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (UP).—Secretary of Agriculture Clinton F. Anderson today named E. T. Maynard as the Chicago speculator who made \$300,000 to \$400,000 on the commodity crash last week and challenged congressional investigators to prove the veteran trader has "inside" information.

Anderson gave Maynard's name to the Senate Agriculture Committee. He said Maynard was the man to whom he referred Monday when he disclosed that one Chicago operator sold 1,000,000 bushels of wheat short on Feb. 4, the day the market started tail-spinning.

Point of Order

By ALAN
MAX

A DAILY NEWS editorial says it's "tiresome" to hear about the Munich appeasement of Hitler. Naturally. The criminal often finds the evidence weary, and fears the judge's sentence may bore him to death.

REG'LAR FELLERS—Much Better System

By GENE BYRNES



New Yugoslav Ration Plan Favors Workers

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Feb. 11 (UP).—The Yugoslav government drastically revised its rationing system today and introduced a three-level price system in an attempt to channel more farm produce into government-controlled markets, the official Yugoslav news agency Tanjug said tonight.

Under the revision both workers and peasants are favored.

The changes were approved by the cabinet and announced in a series of decrees, Tanjug said.

The revision, it was explained, was based on a constitutional article which provides that "each citizen must work according to his abilities, and that who contributes nothing to the community can receive nothing from it."

LOW PRICES

The decree provides for the marketing of food and other consumer goods on the following levels:

- Basic food and clothing rations will be sold at fixed low prices to workers, civil servants and other specified employees, varying according to type, conditions and importance of their work.

- There will be an open market to deal in above-quota foodstuffs and industrial products which are

released for free sale by the government. Prices will be higher than those in class 1 and will fluctuate.

- Peasants who sell their above-quota produce at government prices will be permitted to buy manufactured goods at a one-third reduction in price. Food and manufactured articles also will be made available at lower prices to farmers in poor-soil and war-damaged areas, Tanjug said.

Detroit Labor Backs Jewish Fund Drive

DETROIT, Feb. 11.—United AFL and CIO support is behind the raising of a \$250,000 fund in this city for support of Histadrut, the Jewish Labor Federation of Palestine. A united meeting was held here recently which went on record to work for the lifting of the State Department embargo on arms to Palestine Jews.

Hasn't Worked for 4 Months, But Sends \$20 to Fund Drive

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 11.—"I can't sacrifice any more at present because I have not been working for four months on account of sickness," explains a worker from a small industrial town of this area in a letter to the district office of the Communist Party, enclosing a 20-dollar bill for the Defense and Press Fund. "I am still sick but start to feel better. I pledge to donate \$30 more. That means a week's work!"

The donation came in response to a circular letter by the district leaders rallying Worker readers to the urgency of the need for funds.

Reacting to the sudden arrest of Johnny Williamson, District Chairman Roy Hudson declared that this latest move of Clark and J. Edgar Hoover should "awaken every American citizen to the realization that pro-fascist forces within the nation are threatening to wipe out all opposition to their ambitious schemes for world domination and for harnessing the labor movement to such plans. The Communists of western Pennsylvania and progressives in the unions and other people's organizations will not be intimidated by such Hitlerite proceedings."

"The best reply to the arrest of John Williamson and the deportation framup charges against Alex Bittelman, Claudia Jones and other honest and sincere leaders of the American labor and progressive movements is the kind of sacrifice which the unemployed worker made in the letter quoted above. Let's roll in the dollars in a hurry to finish up our \$15,000 Defense and Press Fund drive. The need is great and ever growing!"

Jersey CP Gives \$1,000 to Daily

The New Jersey Communist Party yesterday sent \$1,000 to the Daily Worker fund drive, in "answer to attacks against the party leadership." We are mobilizing our state committee, a statement said, "to complete the entire fund drive in defense of our leaders, who are being persecuted for standing up against the Wall Street-military clique now driving our country to war."

City Hall Gives No Hope In Oil Crisis, Except Weather

The city yesterday in an official report said the "only hope" for cutting down complaints over fuel shortages "will be an improvement in weather conditions." With this airy dismissal of monopolistic oil practices which have resulted in freezing millions of New

CIO Rubber Workers Ask 30c an Hour Hike

CLEVELAND, Feb. 11.—The CIO Rubber Workers Union policy committee has announced that it has notified various companies in the industry that the union is demanding a 30-cents-an-hour wage increase.

The 200 delegates attending the meeting decided that an unspecified amount of the 30 cents shall be set aside for welfare, insurance, hospitalization, sick and accident and retirement programs.

It is considered significant that the rubber workers did not follow the "15, 10 and 5" division backed by Walter Reuther of the UAW for the workers at General Motors.

Many committee members declare they will not accept less than 25 cents on the hourly wage, with the remaining 5 cents to be allocated for other purposes.

Another feature of the wage program adopted is that each local will decide how much of the 30 cents will be applied to the hourly rate. The workers in the industry are expected to favor application of practically all of the 30 cents to the wage scale.

Hunt Tokyo Baby Killers

TOKYO, Feb. 11 (UP).—With the arrest today of a second maternity home manager, Japanese police launched at once into an investigation of what may prove to be a widespread extortion-murder racket here in which scores of babies were starved to death after parents paid fees for their care.

Mrs. Naka Yasui, 47, was taken into custody and charged with killing, by slow starvation, at least 60 infants in her Yodo-Bashi maternity home. One mother claimed she paid 13,000 yen (\$260 under army conversion rate) to place her baby in Mrs. Yasui's home.

Police also seized a 75-year-old physician, who denied a charge of falsifying death certificates. Mrs. Yasui was accused of failing to report the deaths. In some cases, police alleged, Mrs. Yasui continued to receive milk and other special baby rations and sold them on the black market.

U. S. Protest

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The United States has protested to the Soviet Union, claiming "unwarranted and unjustified" interference with Hungarian sovereignty by allowing Red Army troops to arrest two American army officers in Hungary.

Garment Meets Hit Embargo Of Zion Arms

Over 1,500 needle trades workers turned out during the noon hour yesterday to attend a series of street meetings demanding an end to the embargo on arms to the Jews of Palestine. The six meetings, sponsored by the American Jewish Labor Council, covered the garment district from 36th St. and 7th Ave. to 39th and 8th Ave.

William Levner, spokesman for the Council, and Joseph Edelman, ILGWU rank and file leader, addressed the workers from a sound truck. They urged Security Council action to safeguard peace in Palestine, and reversal of the State Department's policy of non-intervention on behalf of the Jews and aid to their Arab attackers.

Hundreds of petitions, postcards and telegrams addressed to President Truman were signed by the workers.

UAW Foundry Workers Vote To Ask Pay Hike

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, Feb. 11.—One hundred delegates representing 100,000 UAW foundry workers at a National Foundry Conference have voted unanimously to demand 25 cents an hour wage increase plus five cents for hospitalization.

They also went on record to leave wages open in all 1948 contracts with a specific clause stating there will be no wage freezes.

Special upward adjustments in wages were endorsed. A resolution was adopted against speedup.

Almost 90 percent of the workers employed in the foundries represented at the conference are Negroes. UAW president Walter P. Reuther spoke at the conference but did not introduce his wage-splitting program of 15 cents for wages, ten cents for pensions.

Yorkers, the Mayor's emergency fuel committee offered shivering citizens here little hope that the current fuel crisis would be met.

The Committee's report released by Mayor O'Dwyer at City Hall also provided little comfort to rent strike veteran families in the city-operated quonset projects. Bruckner and Castle Hill project families in the Bronx had been withholding their rent since Feb. 1 because of the kerosene shortage and excessive costs.

Though the City has pledged 80,460 gallons of kerosene (No. 1 oil), to the emergency allocation pool, one allotment of 35,000 gallons "has not yet reached the terminal and the date of its arrival has not yet been determined."

WILL STILL FREEZE

The tone of the Committee's report indicated that veteran families and other consumers dependent on this No. 1 fuel would continue to freeze.

The number of complaints since Jan. 23 over lack of oil yesterday reached 52,153. The biggest day was Feb. 5 when 4,989 irate fuel-users swamped the Emergency Fuel Committee with demands for oil.

Admitting that "complaints continue high," the Committee attributed these grievances to "severe weather" and to "the fact that dealers have been requested to supply up to half-tank capacity at a time, so as to spread the oil to as many consumers as possible."

On hand for deliveries at present are 1,746,015 gallons of light fuel oil (No. 2) and 611,025 gallons of heavy oil (No. 6) for apartment houses and industrial firms.

Of the 2,784,600 gallons of No. 2 received from the Navy the city has left 1,746,015 for emergency priority cases.

Large suppliers and terminal dealers since Jan. 23 have contributed 1,692,300 gallons of all three types of oil.

'Potbellied Old Scab's' Legal if It's Chanted

DETROIT, Feb. 11 (FP).—If just one picket calls general manager Otto Hofman a potbellied old scab that might be serious but if the whole picket line chants the endearment that's not so bad, Judge W. McKay Skillman tended to indicate Feb. 6 when he dismissed a police charge against picket Mildred Mullins in the General Magnetic Corp. strike of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (UO). The strike began last November.

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Bronx ALP Head Urges Backers Of Isacson Sign Up for Poll Duty

Jesse Mintus, Bronx County chairman of the American Labor Party, yesterday called on all supporters of Leo Isacson to register for duty at the polls Tuesday to safeguard against possible fraud and coercion of voters. Isacson is running for Congress from the 24th District. Mintus also called on Attorney General Nathaniel Goldstein to assure orderly voting at the polls, which will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. In a wire from Isacson, Goldstein was asked to make a public statement of his intention to prevent disorder and coercion and to assign two special deputy assistant attorneys general to the 24th District on Tuesday.

Mintus also urged that 1,000 canvassers register nightly through Monday at Isacson's Hunts Point Palace headquarters. The city CIO Council has asked its affiliates to recruit 2,000 members for duty as watchers and canvassers throughout the voting hours on Election Day. Mintus also asked 500 volunteers to report for "dawn patrol" duty at Isacson's Hunts Point Palace headquarters at 5 a.m. Tuesday.

Other safeguards being taken by the ALP to safeguard the Isacson vote include use of a roving corps of attorneys to be on hand all day to follow through on any complaints of voting irregularities. Volunteers for election day work are asked to report for "dawn patrol" duty at one of the following American Labor Party and Isacson campaign headquarters 4:30 a.m. Tuesday:

4th A.D., 361 Beekman Ave.
5th A.D., 1006 E. 163 St.
6th A.D. west, 1239 Southern Blvd.
7th A.D. lower, 1322 Boston Rd.
7th A.D. upper, 1723 Boston Rd.
Betances-Puerto Rican Club, 809 Westchester Ave., Bronx.

The "dawn patrol" will be supplied with hot coffee and food before starting out on its duties at the polling places.

Soviets May Cut Costs of Reich Occupation

BERLIN, Feb. 11 (UP).—Marshal Vassily D. Sokolovsky, commander of the Soviet occupation zone, said today that Russia would reduce its occupation costs if the Germans carried out the reparations plan and increased production.

In an interview granted Wilhelm Kuelz, leader of the German Liberal Democratic Party, and printed in the Soviet Army newspaper *Taegliche Rundschau*, Sokolovsky said Russia would also re-examine its policy on confiscating German property and foster peacetime production in its zone.

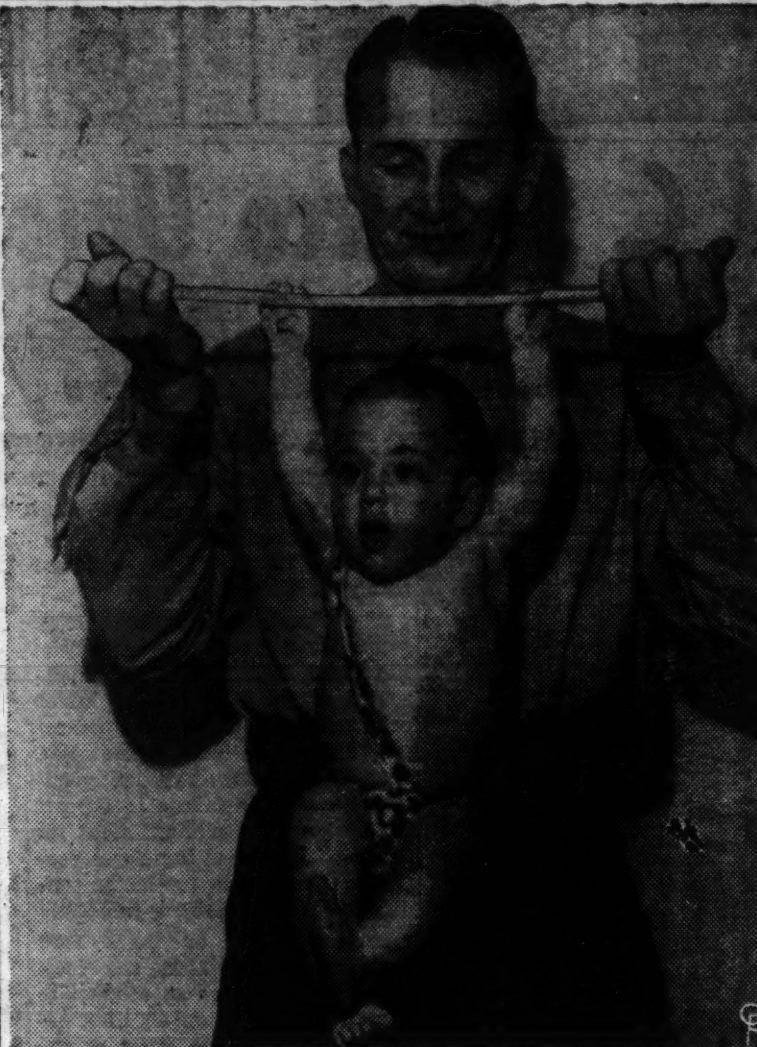
The Russian reparations policy would not be changed, he said.

Asked by Kuelz if Russia planned a parallel to the Anglo-American zones' system of increased economic power for Germans, Sokolovsky said "We don't plan such a move."

"We always supported unity and democratic development in Germany and that is our attitude today," he said. "The measures in Bizonia are directed against unity and Germany's democratization. We shall maintain our point of view in Germany."

"The question of confiscations (of German property) will be reviewed and an order in that respect issued in the near future," he continued. "We will try to consider the viewpoints of . . . the Liberal Party as well as those of other parties and trade unions in the Soviet zone."

"It is the intention of the Soviet military administration in Germany to take measures which will also make further development of peace-time economy possible in the zone and which will be based particularly on the initiative and activity of the German population."



Super-Baby Struts Stuff: Gary Louis Ceccone, six months, of San Francisco, gets ready to chin himself on bar pop Peter is holding. The former boxer is training his son to be a future "strong man."

Cancel Taft Pickets On Murray Aide's Order

GARY, Ind., Feb. 11.—A union picket-line reception scheduled today for Sen. Robert A. Taft was called off in compliance with a direct order from CIO Steel Workers director Michael Germano. In his

speech before Gary service clubs, Taft asserted that the Taft-Hartley law needed no changes, said the closed shop must go, called for a special law against general strikes and declared that strikes affecting national health and security had "the characteristics of revolution."

Germano's no-picketing order was issued several days after several steel locals had decided to lead a 1,000-man anti-Taft picket line. In explaining Germano's order, Freeman Bellar, union staff representative, indulged in some far-fetched red-baiting.

"It was learned," Bellar told the press, "that Wallace supporters intended to join the picketing."

He added that "we can't have anything to do with anything tinged communistic" and "to avoid trouble, are calling off our 1,000-man picket line."

To help Germano's order, the local press reproduced a crude, forged card, allegedly issued by a "Committee to Picket Taft." The card was sent anonymously to known supporters of Wallace, calling upon them to constitute themselves a "committee of one" to picket Taft.

James West, local Communist Party leader, blasted the card as a "forgery" when queried by the local press as to whether his party was behind the move.

West declared, "It is unfortunate that some labor leaders, including Joseph Germano, have allowed themselves to be taken in by an old trick to the point where they have cancelled what has become a traditional method for organized labor to greet Taft."

As a result of Germano's ukase Taft was permitted to speak and blast labor in this union town, with no reply provided.

Meeting for Gandhi

A memorial meeting for Mahatma Gandhi will be held tonight (Thursday) at 8:30 p. m. at the Broadway Tabernacle Church, 221 W. 56 St., under the auspices of the American Friends of India, an organization founded by veterans of the Armed Forces who served in the India-Burma Theater.

O'Dwyer Has Heart Trouble; Told to Rest

Mayor O'Dwyer revealed yesterday he had a "coronary condition." Hospital Commissioner Edward M. Bernecker had taken a cardiograph of him Tuesday. The Mayor also disclosed that he suffered a dizzy spell during a picture-taking ceremony in his office in the morning.

Dr. Bernecker confirmed the Mayor's statement on his health and indicated that unless the Mayor "slowed down" there was "danger of a thrombosis or occlusion."

The Mayor left at 4:10 p.m. yesterday and said he was going home to rest until Monday.

It was reported however that he intends to speak tonight at the Bronx rally in behalf of Karl Propper, Democratic Congressional candidate in the 14th C.D., and on Feb. 22 at the Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner in Providence, R.I., for the Democratic State Committee.

NEW BRIEF FILED FOR GERHART EISLER'S RELEASE

The real issue in the latest arrest of Gerhart Eisler is whether he can be held by the Department of Justice without bail "on the pretense that a deportation proceeding is pending against him," Mrs. Carol King, Eisler's attorney, declared yesterday.

Mrs. King filed an additional brief in the U.S. District Court in proceedings initiated by the Civil Rights Congress to obtain his release on a writ of habeas corpus.

The brief points out that the government does not dispute the fact that immigration authorities ordered Eisler excluded from the U.S. on June 14, 1941. Since then the government has refused to let Eisler leave the country. He was refused transit permission to go to Mexico when he landed at Ellis Island at that time. His repeated subsequent efforts to leave were denied, under wartime conditions, and he was released on a visitor's permit under \$500 bond.

Eisler "is and has always been available for the execution of the exclusion order," the Civil Rights Congress attorney declared. "In fact, he stands ready to leave the United States at the first opportunity which the United States government will afford him, and he would have sailed from this coun-

try in October, 1946, on the SS Kuzma Minin if the United States government had not inexplicably revoked his permit to depart."

Mrs. King states in her brief that "in addition to the \$500 bond, Eisler has posted \$20,000 bail in two criminal cases pending against him." Both are being appealed. Eisler has been convicted of contempt of Congress and of alleged misstatements in his application for an exit permit. Both cases are being appealed.

None of these facts, were disputed by the government in the preliminary hearing on the writ last week, it was pointed out.

Dinner to Honor Mrs. Carol King

A testimonial dinner in honor of Carol King will be held at the Astor Hotel on Friday, March 5, under the sponsorship of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, it was announced yesterday.

The dinner is being held as a testimonial to Mrs. King's 25-year service as an attorney in defense of human rights. Additional information concerning the dinner can be obtained by communicating with the Committee, 23 W 26 St.

PHILADELPHIA

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**To All Club and Section Members
To All Communist Party Members**

Only 15 days left to jam the Met for the Lenin Memorial Meeting on Feb. 27 and reach 75% of our Fighting Fund goal. We urge all comrades to fulfill the following:

1. Buy and pay for your own tickets at once. Turn in your week's pay and personal pledges.
2. Turn in all money for tickets sold—tonight.
3. Sell five additional tickets to your friends, relatives, neighbors, shopmates and fellow members in your mass organization and union. Ask them to contribute—now—to the Party's Fighting Fund.
4. All Clubs and Sections—Plan for a maximum mobilization of your membership for ticket sales and Fighting Fund collections this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

SECTIONS: Reach these goals by Monday, Feb. 16th:

Sec.	Tickets	Fund	Sec.	Tickets	Fund
1-3	550	\$5,000	8	400	\$2,750
2	150	\$1,650	9	245	\$1,925
3	315	\$1,925	10	375	\$5,000
4	315	\$1,925	11	100	\$4,125
5-7	500	\$6,050	13	125	\$1,375
			Del. Co.	75	\$1,650

Progressives Win in Detroit UOPWA Vote

DETROIT, Feb. 11.—In a record turnout, 700 members of Local 26, CIO Office and Professional Workers, swept to victory, 494 votes to 151, the entire slate of progressive-backed candidates to the national union's coming convention.

The opponents of the progressive Union Builders slate were headed by Tom Downs, a recent Social Democratic importee. The opposition started out with a full slate of 17 candidates which was reduced to 11 because of disqualification.

Downs and his crew of Reuther organizers had called local union offices and threatened office workers with removal from their jobs unless they supported the Downs ticket.

The Downs, ACTU-backed pro-Reuther ticket had called for submission to the Taft-Hartley Act; anti-Wallace activities and support for the Marshall Plan.

Aid Foreign Born

Thomas Mann, Yehudi Menuhin and Robert Morss Lovett are among 52 prominent leaders who will serve as sponsors of the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born, Michigan State Senator Stanley Nowak, national chairman of the committee announced yesterday.

VIRGIL—No End to Toil



Peoria Unions To Fight T-H

Special to the Daily Worker

PEORIA, Ill., Feb. 11.—United political action aimed at repealing the Taft-Hartley law became a reality here today with the formation of a Peoria County United Labor Educational Committee by official representatives of CIO, AFL and independent unions.

Outlining its program in a declaration of principles adopted by the joint session, the committee set as its goals the registration of unionists for voting; establishment of ward and precinct organizations; endorsement of Congressional candidates pledged to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act; and promotion of progressive social legislation locally and nationally.

A highlight of its program is an agreement by all unions to refrain from raiding each other.

N. C. Tobacco Union Slams PAC Anti-3d Party Stand

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Feb. 11.—The largest CIO local in this state has condemned the state PAC's anti-third party stand as interference with the autonomy of CIO affiliates, it was disclosed today. The PAC position was denounced in a letter

from CIO Food and Tobacco Workers Local 223 which has endorsed Henry A. Wallace.

The local, which has 10,000 members, declared in an official statement that it was not represented at the PAC meeting which condemned the third party because of "differences with these PAC leaders over democratic representation and their failure to support CIO policy in a militant fight for full participation of the Negro people in the struggle for better conditions for all Southern people."

In the letter to State PAC chairman H. D. Lisk, the local scored the action as an attempt to infringe on the autonomy of international unions. The effect of the stand, the letter said, "is to condemn Henry Wallace and attempt to line up support behind Truman, which we feel is unquestionably not the sentiment of the bulk of CIO membership in this state."

The letter was signed by Robert C. Black and John Henry Minor, co-chairmen of Local 223; and Edwin K. McCrea, international representative.

Fur Union Hits U. S. Policy in Greece

The Joint Board of the Fur Dressers and Dyers Union has called on the State Department to stop American intervention against the democratic rights of the Greek people.



NANETTE FABRAY, actress, in a new look gown, holds up a 1913 Valentine card to remind everyone that St. Valentine's Day arrives this Saturday.

Diecasters Urge Union To Support Wallace

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—A recommendation to the International Executive Board of the CIO Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers that it support the candidacy of Henry Wallace was voted here by a national wage and contract policy conference of the union's Die Casting Division.

The board is scheduled to meet here Feb. 16 and will consider Wallace's candidacy then, international president John Clark announced recently. In urging the board to endorse Wallace, the diecasters' conference said he was "the only clear voice for labor in America."

Attended by 50 delegates from 33 locals representing 20,000 union members in nine states, the conference also resolved to work "to see that Henry Wallace's name appears on the ballot either as an independent candidate or as the head of a third party."

Back Blatnik Bill

The American Slav Congress expressed support of the bill introduced by Congressman John A. Blatnik to reduce postage rates on parcels containing food, clothing or medicines, mailed to certain foreign countries, in a telegram signed by Leo Krzycki, president, and Zlatko

By LEN KLEIS



Dodge Local Asks Wage Conference

By William Allan

DETROIT, Feb. 11.—Dodge Local 3 of the United Auto Workers has voted to request a united wage conference of all UAW locals to present a demand to all auto manufacturers for a 30-cent-an-hour wage boost. Chrysler Local 7 also has voted for a 30-cent pay hike. Both locals agreed that 25 cents of the wage increase should go into regular pay, the other five cents for hospitalization funds.

The third major Chrysler local, Plymouth, had previously backed the same demand. Their elections places them in opposition to UAW president Walter P. Reuther and his GM department which put over at a recent National General Motors union conference a plan splitting of the 30 cents wage demand into 15 cents straight wage boost, 10 cents for pension and five cents for hospitalization.

One hundred delegates representing 75,000 UAW Chrysler members will convene here Feb. 13 in a National conference to formulate their demand to the corporation. Negotiations are expected to open immediately. The only requirement is a letter from the union requesting wage discussions.

The Dodge local membership meeting's request for a national wage meeting to vote for a united demand of 30 cents an hour will be sent to the UAW international board. Meanwhile a number of East Side locals of the UAW who have contracts with independent companies, Packard, Briggs, etc., met last week and voted for a 30 cents an hour wage boost. They also voted to demand united wage proposals.

Plans for a strike vote at Murray Body Local 2 were set for this week. Balloting will be conducted by the State Mediation Board.

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N. Y. County Committee, Communist Party

A Message to

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- Monday, Feb. 16, is a big night for us, for all Brooklyn. William Z. Foster speaks on the Third Party—the most decisive question facing America—in a memorable meeting at The Livingston that night. We can make it a doubly historic event—by presenting him with 100% of our Fund Drive. We promised him that. And we can do it! Between now and Monday are four days of all-out fund collections. Sunday is an all-day mobilization day with every section open around the clock. And the next day, Foster comes to Brooklyn. It's up to you, comrades.

BROOKLYN COMMUNIST PARTY
26 Court Street, Brooklyn 2

Wall St. Runs the Lincoln Dinners, But the People Carry on His Fight

By Abner W. Berry

The spirit of Old Abe Lincoln must be troubled as it hovers over the Union today. Republican "Lincoln Day" speeches, praising the Taft-Hartley labor shackles, tearfully extolling the virtues of foreign tyrants from Greece to China and hurling threats of anti-Communist A-bomb war to the peoples of the world—

All of this must make the sad, sunken eyes of Honest Abe quite sadder still. Lincoln believed in people. He was a Republican when Republicanism meant freedom; when the Republican President of the United States, Abe Lincoln, himself, spoke up for labor; when Communists became generals in the U. S. Army instead of being deported as "dangerous aliens."

Lincoln would remember that he was a third party President—a political pioneer. His party had been born out of the struggle to limit the spread of slavery, and when the slaveholders revolted he accepted the logic of the anti-slavery struggle. He became a war President. From the war he emerged as the Emancipator.

Many German Communists came to America escaping persecution. Lincoln welcomed them. America was then a haven for the oppressed. Ideas were free here, then, as well as trade.

In the fight against slavery the Communists, from New York to St. Louis, were active. Lincoln commissioned Joseph Weydemeyer, editor of a Chicago Communist newspaper, a colonel.

Weydemeyer later became a general and commanded the St. Louis Military District. August Willich, who had been a member of the Communist League with Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, joined the army and rose to the rank of general.

Lincoln was no "Communist dupe." He knew the role of the Communists and of the workers. Karl Marx addressed a letter to the President in 1865 which declared:

"The workingmen of Europe feel sure that, as the American War of Independence initiated a new era of ascendancy for the middle class, so the American Anti-Slavery War will do for the working classes."

Lincoln's reply to the International Workingmen's Association, for whom Marx was the spokesman, was equally forthright: "(The United States) regards . . . the present conflict with slave-maintaining insurgents as the cause of human nature, and they (the U. S.) derive new encouragement to preserve from the workingmen of Europe that the national attitude is favored

with their enlightened approval and earnest sympathies."

LINCOLN ON LABOR

How far was Lincoln from the men of swollen wealth and profascist minds now at the helm of the nation! The words of Lincoln on labor would gag in the throat of Robert A. Taft:

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor and could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital and deserves much the higher consideration."

He led the country in a war to abolish the right of private property in human persons, a revolutionary act, left undone by the Founding Fathers.

ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

He held that the nation's economic wealth had been transferred from the domain of the King to the domain of the people in 1776. Private property economy was, to Lincoln, simply the act of individuals holding enterprises in trust by the people's consent.

"This country, with its institutions," he wrote, "belongs to the people who inhabit it. Whenever they shall grow weary of the existing government, they can exercise their constitutional right of amending it, or their revolutionary right to dismember or overthrow it."

Lincoln hated slavery, and he fought it. He feared the growth of uncontrolled, concentrated corporate wealth, and he warned against

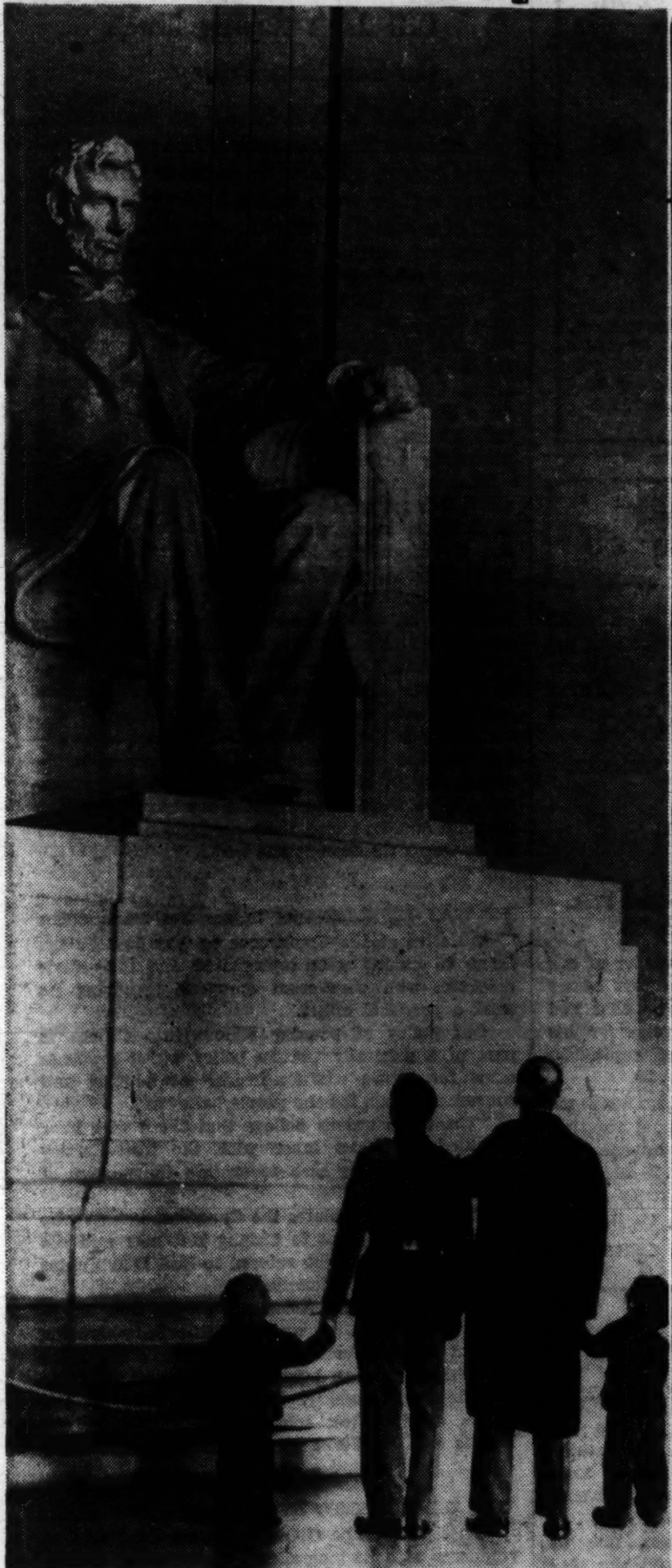
it. He foresaw the racial divisions made possible by slavery and appealed for unity in the postwar as he fought to establish it during the armed fighting.

He wrote to the Workingmen's Democratic Republican Association in 1864, while the Civil War was still in progress: "None are so deeply interested to resist the present rebellion as the working people. Let them beware of prejudice, working division and hostility among themselves."

It is not to be doubted that Lincoln would have a word for Senator Eastland and the southern governors now fighting a second edition of the Civil War. He was no timid Truman searching for the proper legal excuse for NOT moving against those who, like Eastland, sabotage democracy. He used his war powers to push his program, to whack down the supporters of the slavocracy. He translated his speeches into action.

Workers, Negroes, Communists, the new Republican (third) party—the little people of America—marched with Lincoln to a new democratic frontier.

He wouldn't know now the party he helped found. He'd be troubled. There's too much wealth and dangerous flummery about it. And one can almost hear Abe chuckle observing Henry Wallace: "They called me a clumsy dreamer and buffoon, too, Hank. Said I was a prisoner of the radicals and reds. But we pushed the country up a little and there's still a long way to go."



THREE GENERATIONS OF AMERICANS, a soldier, his two children and his father, stand in reverence before the statue of Abraham Lincoln in Washington.



REPLICA of log cabin on site of Lincoln's birthplace in Kentucky.

He Fights for Truth in Negro History

By Olive Sutton

They have been a very full 10 years, all right. Aptheker's books and magazine articles have been

What's On?

Tonight Manhattan

NORMAN H. TALLENTIRE: "Abe Lincoln and Karl Marx." Village Forum, 430 Sixth Ave., Thursday, Feb. 12, 8 p.m. Questions, discussions. Admission free.

Coming

CHARLIE CHAPLIN movie party and dance (two Chaplin films and a new progressive documentary). Afternoon performance for children at 3 p.m. Evening performance, 9 p.m. Dancing, refreshments. Saturday, Feb. 14th, Seamen's Club, 269 West 25th Street. Adm. 40c; children, 25c.

CAPE SOCIETY WA-A-AY uptown. Valentine's Day Shindig. Music! Fun! Square and social dancing! Saturday, Feb. 14, 8 p.m. Sub. \$1.00. 1530 Walton Avenue (between 173-173rd St.) Uptown Social Club.

JEWISH LIFE FORUM with American, Yiddish and Palestinian Folksinging. Albert E. Kahn will speak on "The Future of American Jewry." Feb. 15th at 8:30 p.m. Barbizon Plaza, 161 W. 58th St. Tickets 75c (incl. tax) available at door.

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regularly coming to a public hungry for the real stuff of Negro history. Essays in the History of the American Negro and American Negro Slave Revolts are some of his works. Another is the Negro People in America, a critique of Gunnar Myrdal's distorted presentation in The American Dilemma. Last year Aptheker was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, from which the Negro in the Civil War resulted.

You do not expect a "foremost authority" in any field to be young. Aptheker has been able to make time count for most achievement by careful use of time, and you could tell from the relaxed yet controlled manner in which he speaks, his quiet reaction to every interruption, he doesn't waste any energy.

The 10 years of intense research and study were broken by the war. Aptheker served overseas and in 1942 and 1943 was captain of a company of Negro troops in Louisiana.

For Herbert Aptheker every week is Negro History Week. The appearance of his new book, To Be Free, Studies in American Negro History, is the result of a laborious search through the basic sources of

that history. First of all, it was a search probing, as Aptheker puts it, "what the Negro people themselves said, and wrote and desired—not what other people said they wanted."

It's 10 years since Aptheker began his intensive work in this field, and today he feels it is still largely untapped. We went to see him hoping he would have time to reflect a little on his findings of those 10 years, and the special significance of this year's Negro History Week.

His research and study, Aptheker said, had revealed several things which have stood in the way of a worthwhile Negro historiography.

'STATE OF AMNESIA'

First was the "deliberate cultivation of a state of amnesia which worked to weaken the Negro people in their fight against super-exploitation."

Aptheker paused and gazed out of the window. "This kind of thing has also made more difficult the alliance between the Negro people and the working class. . . . It's also been done by omission and deliberate distortion, where the Negro appeared obscurely, almost as a cloud, or a pawn . . . if at all.



APTKEKER

"Then," and he spoke with contempt, "there is the sickly sentimentality . . . it's the other side of the same chauvinistic coin . . . the benevolent, philanthropic goody type of history. Sometimes that characterized the writings of our earlier historians especially."

Turning to current efforts to continue suppression of the history of the Negro people, Aptheker cited

the forced resignation of Dr. L. D. Reddick from the Schomburg Library in Harlem.

The Schomburg library should rightfully have been a "repository of the people's past," he declared, and instead it was converted into a branch of the City Library, and that is not even supported so that its director has to resign!

"Every state has a state library, the United States Government has its National Archives . . . the Daughters of the American Revolution have theirs, but so far the Negro people have been able to get nothing!"

Why must we constantly struggle against the attempt to deny the Negro people their past?

"Because it is an attempt to weaken them in their fight for equality and freedom . . . the future is the past and present intertwined. The history of the Negro people is a weapon in present-day efforts to complete their liberation. And the history of 15,000,000 people is a worthwhile study in itself. . . . Beyond that, well"—he smiled a little—"it is impossible to know the history of the

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Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

The Real Reason For the New Eisler Arrest

A GOOD MANY FRIENDS have been puzzled at the arrest of Gerhart Eisler, a week ago Monday, especially because it was done on a deportation warrant. Many people who haven't followed the details of this outrageous persecution evidently thought it was coming to an early end. It ought to. And it can be ended soon. But it won't be, unless the conscience of the country is roused.

The real reason for Eisler's arrest has little to do with the latest deportation warrant. It has a lot to do with the second case on which Eisler was tried, the one in which he was charged with intent to defraud the government in filling out his application for an exit permit back in 1946. For the Department of Justice arrested Eisler the same afternoon of important developments in that second case.



Let me explain: You'll recall that Eisler has been out on \$20,000 bail in the first case (the contempt of Congress charge) which the Civil Rights Congress is now appealing. The second case had been tried last summer (with very little publicity). And Justice James W. Morris had delayed ruling on whether the case should have been dismissed, and also delayed handing down the sentence.

Last Monday morning, the Justice finally ruled on the first aspect—should the entire case be dismissed? Morris did not think so. But he was troubled by one important fact which the defense attorneys had brilliantly established last summer: that on July 31, 1946, the chief of the State Department's visa division had okayed Eisler's exit permit. The FBI had countersigned the okay.

THE JUSTICE THEREFORE wondered how the government could possibly claim that Eisler intended to defraud it when simultaneously the government admitted that it knew all about Eisler, and had agreed that he should leave the country?

As Morris ruling says: "There is no satisfactory explanation in the record as to why this action was taken, and for that matter, the testimony of the witness (for the State Department) to whom had been delegated the authority to act, was confused and conflicting. . . ."

Here, of course, was the key to the frame-up. The government had agreed to Eisler's departure, but changed its mind when (with the help of Louis Budenz) they saw the possibility of initiating the current red-scare and assault on civil liberties.

Justice Morris didn't see all that. But enough constitutional issues were involved, he implied, for the case to go to higher courts. And the State Department's behavior was so peculiar "that the Court should consider it in determining the degree of punishment that should be visited on the defendant."

THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE must have been thunder-struck. For if the newspapers seriously examined Justice Morris' opinion, the heart of the frame-up would be exposed.

At this point, Tom Clark decided to act—for the purpose of blanketing news of the Morris statement in the press, for the purpose of imprisoning Eisler though he is out on bail in one case and would be entitled to bail on the other; and for the purpose of compelling him to drop his appeals and serve sentence on unfair charges.

Don't forget that last Dec. 18, Rep. MacDowell of the Un-American Committee had demanded that "the President of the United States apprehend this man, take him to Ellis Island, and keep him there until his case is settled."

IT'S TIME this mean and vindictive procedure was stopped. It can be in two ways. Attorney General Tom Clark can be bombarded with letters and telegrams urging that the persecution of Eisler cease.

And Justice Morris can be asked—during these few days that he is considering the sentence—to suspend the punishment of Eisler, thus speeding the day when he could leave a country in which he has been so flagrantly abused, and where he has no desire to remain.

Readers of this column can help expose and thwart this latest act of un-American shame by writing Clark and appealing to Justice Morris. I urge everyone of you to do that.

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Letters from Readers

Tinsley Praised For Crouther Piece

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Ted Tinsley's column on Jan. 27th on Geoffrey Crouther's article in the New York Times magazine section was tops. I read that article by Crouther and I want to thank Ted for dissecting it in the brilliant fashion he did.

Keep it up, Ted, and Mike Gold's column won't be so keenly missed until he returns.

GEORGE DORNETSKY.

Asks Pamphlet Of 'Machinist' Story

Lockland, Ohio.

Editor, Daily Worker:

"A Machinists Visits France," which appeared in the Sunday Worker of Jan. 11, should be

issued as a leaflet or a small pamphlet at a low price and the facts in this article reach as many American workers as possible so as to offset the lies of the royalist press and radio spellbinders.

C. WENKER.

Wants Raise For Tinsley

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Being a constant reader of our paper and therefore part owner of it, I want to suggest that Ted Tinsley ask for a raise for his stunning analysis of capitalism in his column of Jan. 29.

I will carry that column with me as long as it will hold together and will show it to anyone with vision better than 20-20. Our paper is really a honey—worth every dollar I spend on it.

J. GERARD.

Press Roundup

THE POST editor T. O. Thacker, in a front-page editorial, chastises President Truman for cruising off while his administration careens the world toward war. "Today the President of the United States, whose duty should call him to instruct the United States delegation to work tirelessly for the peace of this country—and of the world—is making final plans for a peaceful cruise through the Caribbean. . . . Today your act," he tells Truman, "to support your lip-service to the cause of justice can still save a world to live in—not just for Jews, or Arabs, but all the humble people who have waited so long—and so vainly. . . ."

THE SUN discusses John Foster Dulles' complaint to the House Un-American Committee that "legislation to outlaw Communism would be impracticable because of the difficulty of identifying a Communist. . . ." So what? asks the Sun, give them all the works: "As for those who walk with the Communists, not because they like the company, but because they are going in the same direction, the hazards of the association ought to be as clear as the advantages. . . ."

THE TIMES comes speedily to the defense of the State Department's distorted documentation

of Soviet diplomacy before the war. It says the "Russian statement merely attempts to shift attention from the decisive events of 1939 to earlier history. . . . It advances two charges, one of which is ludicrous and the second of which has long been refuted by events." To the Times, Munich is ludicrous. Is that because the Times supported Munich?

THE NEWS also says it isn't so—that "U. S. capitalists beefed up Hitler for war by loaning him billions in the 1930's." The News should take a look at the denazification court indictments of Nazi industrialists brought to trial for war crimes.

PM's Max Lerner has no position on this either: "I think the western powers proved to be the bigger suckers, because as capitalist powers they had the innocent feeling that they could somehow trust their Nazi cousins. Stalin, who trusted no one, rarely made that kind of mistake. . . . the cold war of the 1940's is the Sucker Game counterpart of the appeasement-and-treachery policy of the 1920's and 1930's. Again only death and fascism can emerge the winners. I wonder what the battle of the secret files will be like after World War III."

World of Labor

By George Morris

CIO Isn't Saying Much On Far East Policy

YOU MAY HAVE SEEN an Associated Press wirephoto from Shanghai showing Chinese girls with arms upraised as though they were being held up, walking out of a building over a mass of wreckage. It recalled wartime photos that showed German prisoners filing out of pillboxes as they surrendered. Only this time it is Chiang Kai-shek's police who teargassed 7,000 sitdown strikers out of a textile plant on Feb. 3. Three of the girls were killed, 110 were wounded and 300 were arrested. They were only asking for a little extra rice. Chinese inflation has made their wages practically worthless.

That Shanghai scene just about tells for what our hundreds of millions being poured down the drain on the Pacific side. Hugh Bryson, president of the Marine Cooks and Stewards, put it bluntly before the recent National Conference on American Policy in China and the Far East:

"American business interests are hoping to return to the days when they could get Chinese workers for 3 cents a day to work on ships."

Chiang is the big hope of Wall Street imperialists for the maintenance of China as a semi-colonial happy hunting ground for foreign investors. Only if he wins could Chinese workers be kept at a coolie standard and their products used to beat down wages throughout the world.



IT WAS HEARTENING to see the trade union initiative at the Conference on Far East Policy. Some 65 unions were represented and it is their delegates who were most energetic in giving its work a practical effect.

Our policy of pouring billions into China "is part of a generally warlike policy which produces arms for future conflict instead of housing and consumers goods for the people," they say.

"The trade unions believe that those who have shackled American labor with the Taft-Hartley Law, now similarly seek to enslave the peoples of Asia."

The statement salutes the Canadian seamen who refused to ship arms to Chiang Kai-shek and the Australian dockers who refused to load Dutch ships carrying arms to Indonesia.

"We remind the American people that U. S. scrap iron, much of which Pacific longshoremen refused to load for Japan in an effort to arouse the whole American labor movement and public to the imminent danger, finally ended up in the bodies of American soldiers who fought in the Pacific area in World War II," said the statement.

WE HAVE YET TO HEAR from the CIO on Far East policy. The CIO's silence on the Far East compares with its long silence on events in Greece, even as that monarcho-fascist government decreed a death penalty for striking. It took a motion by Hugh Bryson and a second by Ferdinand Smith of the National Maritime Union to put the recent CIO board meeting on the spot and force it to vote a protest against the Greek anti-strike law.

Now that the CIO's right-wing leaders have shelved many important matters with all attention on and for the Marshall Plan, it would be enlightening to get their reason for supporting the Pacific side of the program.

They might explain why four billions went to a military clique that has suppressed unions and imprisoned or shot labor leaders in the part of China it still holds. Fortunately, that part of China is shrinking fast. Or why we are pouring millions into Japan to maintain in power the very industrialists who waged war upon us. Or why we support the supply of arms and money to the Dutch to enable them to keep their imperialist claws in Indonesia. Or why we maintain in power collaborators of Japan in southern Korea. Or why we support the fascist Roxas government in the Philippines.

JAMES B. CAREY, the State Department's main stalwart within the CIO, spread himself over the two center pages of CIO News this week with questions and answers on the Marshall Plan. But there isn't a word on the Far East. He obviously finds the subject too embarrassing. Even his fanciest demagoguery wouldn't work in this case because right-wing leaders of unions that once operated legally in Chiang's territory are appealing to world labor for support of their fight to exist.

COMING: Jews Who Left East Europe for Palestine . . . in the Weekend Worker

Will the Council Listen?

ON Monday morning the City Council Rules Committee will decide on a vital question to democracy in our city—filling the Council seat of the late Communist Councilman Peter V. Cacchione with his duly designated successor, Simon W. Gerson.

Pete Cacchione died on Nov. 6 last. Since his death his 75,000 constituents have been unrepresented and the fight to seat his successor has reached the broadest proportions. The stalling of Councilman Ben Davis' resolution to seat Gerson has become a city-wide scandal.

The New York Times, PM and the Post have spoken up editorially for Gerson's seating, as has the political commentator of the Post-owned Bronx Home News.

The City CIO, the National Lawyers Guild, the Metropolitan Area Council of the American Veterans Committee, civic leaders like Dr. William Jay Schieffelin, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, former Democratic state chairman Herbert Pell, Rep. Vito Marcantonio and literally hundreds of other individuals, trade union and civic organizations, have demanded that Gerson be seated. The New York Post perhaps put it most bluntly in its Feb. 7 editorial: "The City Council's belief in the American form of government will be suspect until it seats the Communist Gerson."

The City Council, which in certain respects has been hailed as the most progressive legislative body New Yorkers ever had, can do itself proud by correcting the grievous failure to fill the Cacchione seat for these past three months. It can give the 75,000 Cacchione constituents their merited continued representation by voting Monday to seat Gerson.

New Yorkers should continue the cascade of telegrams, letters and resolutions to Mayor O'Dwyer and Majority leader Sharkey urging the prompt seating of Gerson. Before Monday morning there should be in City Hall many new affirmations of New Yorkers' support of our cherished democratic electoral rights.

Now It's Phil Murray

THEY went after CIO President Philip Murray yesterday.

The day before that it was a Communist, John Williamson, whom the federal police went after, seizing him for deportation.

The federal grand jury which has indicted Murray for violation of the Taft-Hartley Law is merely another weapon in the same anti-democratic arsenal disguised as "anti-Communism."

Murray has been denouncing the Wallace movement. He has, by implication, been building up support for Truman as the man for labor to follow.

But now Murray faces a government indictment at the hands of the Truman Administration he supports. Can anyone doubt that there would have been no indictment of Murray unless the Truman administration had agreed to it?

MURRAY'S "crime" was his endorsement of political candidates in a Maryland Congressional election. The fact is that the T-H Law has for one of its main purposes the disfranchising of the labor movement as an independent movement. This law was passed amid a tremendous "anti-Communist" ballyhoo. But its target is far wider than the minority of Communists; the target is the life of the unions as such.

We do not know how Murray will fight this indictment. We know that he has been backing the Truman-Marshall Plan despite the crass Wall Street conditions which this plan imposes on all recipients of so-called "relief." We know that a CIO representative, Clinton Golden, has defended the blood-soaked tyranny in Greece where the Marshall Plan fascist regime has made striking a crime punishable by death.

But regardless of the intentions of individuals, the indictment of Murray is an attack on the entire labor movement, and should be unitedly fought as such by every member of the unions, and every friend of labor, regardless of political views.

This fight should tear the veils off the Truman election-time "liberalism" and the "lesser evil" fallacy.

It should prove to millions of trade union members that the Third Party alone is the way for them.

Truman vowed to a GOP Congress that he would enforce the T-H Law. HeH is—with a vengeance. He is starting with his friends in the unions.

THIRD PARTY, THEN AND NOW



As We See It

What the Southern Governors Really Want

By Abner W. Berry



THE COMMERCIAL PRESS completely played down the dangerous conclusions reached by the conference of Southern Governors last week-end in Tallahassee, Fla. Uniformly the papers told readers that the governors (1) sought to improve Negro

education and (2) refused to consider bolting the Democratic Party.

What the readers weren't told, however, is that the governors actually planned to cut the already inadequate education for both Negroes and whites.

Jim Nance McCord, Governor of Tennessee, a state where movies featuring Lena Horne have been banned, is the father of the idea. McCord's proposal, adopted at the meeting last week, was made some time ago.

THE PROPOSAL is simply this:

- Abolish all graduate schools in each of the 11 participating states. Then no Negro could apply as there would be no schools provided for whites either.

- Two regional schools would then be provided—one for Negroes and one for whites, with each state assuming a portion of the financial burden.

That is how the irate, white-supremacist governors plan to meet the "separate but equal" mandate of the U. S. Supreme Court. The plan now goes before the legislatures of the 11 states and if six of them ratify the agreement the Jimcrow-saving plan will go into effect.

Now how reporters, on the spot, could report this as a plan "to improve Negro education" escapes me.

IT SEEMS to me that the governors wouldn't like too much publicity around their "plan." Southern white students surely haven't shown enough love for educational Jimcrow to give up their rights to an education in their own states to preserve it. And I think that it is the fact that southern white students are NOT showing a love for Jimcrow that lies behind the anger of the Bourbon governors.

They need Jimcrow and more Jimcrow to bolster their rule which is being challenged bit by bit. So in answer to the fight of the Negro students and the Negro people against the separate schools, these unreconstructed Claghorns propose super-Jimcrow.

At their meeting they elected to make their pro-Jimcrow fight within the Democratic Party.

Well, that was hardly news. That's the party they control. That is their vehicle to the spreading of Jimcrow practices throughout the nation. Why should they leave?

Cooler heads than Sen. James O. Eastland, of Mississippi and Gov. Fielding H. Wright prevailed. And why not? I can almost hear them being told the score at the closed session.

"Now see here," a governor would say, "can't you see which way the wind is going? You know that the President has to get a few votes from them mongrelized cities. So he's got to make out some sort of a program for 'em." The governor licks his lips and gazes intensely at another governor in the front row and asks, man to man: "But don't you notice he didn't say a word about this education issue which we are about to discuss?"

A FEW HEADS began to nod. The governor speaking at the moment smiles a knowing smile and continues, "Another thing, I'll bet these social equality folks

didn't win the President on mixing colored and white in the army. Now let that be a hint to you, and let us quit talking about splitting the party."

That settled the party unity question. They can still hold on to their Jimcrow domains with Truman. They might even get some help in corralling the grumblers who are going off after that Wallace fellow. If they can put across their Jimcrow plan in the South, without any outside interference, they can stop all threats to their one-party dictatorships.

So far no official has interfered with them and their attacks on the 14th Amendment.

Truman said through his secretary that he was not going to back down on his Negro rights proposals, but he said so one day after approving Jimcrow in the Army. "Absolutely" he's for Negro rights and Army Jimcrow.

While the battle of words goes on between Truman and senatorial white supremacists, the southern Democratic leaders are destroying education and patching up their Bourbon dictatorship.



First Look at Second Triplets: Mrs. Michael Walker, 40, gazes for the first time at her second set of triplets, born in Syracuse, N. Y. The first are now five years old.

Mothers

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shouted a woman on the line to the policeman. "Keep the policeman here instead."

When Mrs. Pauline Levine, president of the Parents Association at P.S. 147, led the protesting delegation to City Hall, she was told by Mayor O'Dwyer's police aide:

"We have to send cops to handle the Pechter Bakery strike."

The anti-union firm at 468 Cherry St. has had seven cops for each picket during the strike.

"What about our children?" a mother asked. "Will our children die because police are used against strikers. Are bosses more important?"

"There ain't enough accidents anyway," the police aide replied.

"Do you really mean to stand there and say that Mr. Pechter and his profits get more protection than our children?" a mother almost in tears cried out.

"You'll find out soon enough if we withdraw police from the strike. We need the cops there," she was told.

TO RUN TRAFFIC

At the 7th Police Precinct, 118 Clinton St., the mothers were given the same reasons for lack of police protection at the hazardous intersections. Mrs. Levine told City Hall reporters that "first they told us they hadn't enough police, then they said there wasn't enough accidents to warrant a traffic cop and finally they said the Pechter strike was too important to shift cops for traffic control on corners where two children have been killed and four badly hurt."

"And now they tell us the same thing at City Hall," another woman added.

Down at the Hall, the mothers organized their own "traffic cops" and warned city aides that unless patrolmen were stationed at the three street corners during school hours, "We'll direct traffic, halt buses and stop vehicles."

They carried out their threat yesterday afternoon and intend to continue until their pleas are granted.

PETITIONED O'D

The mothers said they might keep their children out of school until the three danger spots at Madison and Scammel, Madison and Gouverneur, and Grand, Division and Gouverneur were covered.

Since last September the parents have been besieging Mayor O'Dwyer, Police Commissioner Wallander, the 7th Police Precinct and local school board for some action. More than 375 signatures were presented to O'Dwyer following the death of Robert Miller, five, last September.

Mrs. Katherine Flynn, whose 8-year old son William was hit by a bus last year, was in line with the other mothers yesterday.

"Since he was struck he has been very nervous and upset," she said. "He won't cross without me and I have to take him to and from school every day."

The entire East Side neighborhood has been stirred by the deaths.

"Who'll be next, who knows?" asked 11-year old Jackie Damico, outside P.S. 147. He knew William Schneider well. "The kids in his class are collecting money for him for a wreath."

We wish to inform all our friends of our great loss—our dearly beloved wife and daughter

ANN GRAZUL BROOKS
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Condolences

We express our heartfelt sympathy to Joe and Joyce on the loss of their beloved wife and mother **RAT—Bessie, Charlie, Rok**

Documents

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government undertook to make the German files public while excluding documents pertaining to the Munich agreement shows that the United States government is interested in whitewashing the heroes of the Munich treachery and in putting the blame on the Soviet Union."

Britain and France, Russia charged, aimed solely at appeasing Hitler to protect themselves and turn him against an isolated Russia.

"As far back as 1937 it became perfectly clear that a big war was being hatched by Hitler with the direct connivance of Great Britain and France," Russia said.

"The documents of the German Foreign Ministry captured by the Soviet troops after Germany's defeat reveal the true effort of Great Britain's and France's policy of the time.

"These documents show that essentially the Anglo-French policy was aimed not at mustering the forces of the peace-loving states for a common struggle against aggression but at isolating the Soviet Union and directing the Hitlerite aggression toward the east against the Soviet Union, using Hitler as a tool for their ends."

'PEACEFUL' MEANS

It was asserted that as regards Czechoslovakia, Austria and Danzig, Halifax told Hitler that Britain:

"Is only interested that . . . changes should be effected by peaceful evolution so as to avoid methods which may cause further convulsions undesired either by the Fuehrer or by other countries."

Henderson continued the line of talk started by Halifax, the Soviet Information Bureau statement said, and intimated that his conversation with Hitler would be kept from such interested countries as France, Belgium, Portugal and Italy.

Henderson was quoted as saying his talk with Hitler was:

"Not a commercial deal but an attempt to establish a basis for genuine and cordial friendship with Germany beginning with an improvement of the situation and finishing with the creation of a new spirit of friendly understanding."

AGREED TO GRAB

The Soviet Information Bureau statement continued:

"Without objecting to Hitler's demand to 'unite Europe without Russia,' Henderson drew attention to the fact that Halifax, who at that time became Foreign Secretary, had already agreed to those territorial changes which Germany intended to make in Europe, and that 'the purpose of the British proposal was participation in such a reasonable settlement.'"

Hitler seized Austria on March 12, 1938.

PLANNED MUNICH
After that seizure, the Russian statement said, the next link in the preparation of World War II was the seizure of Czechoslovakia, which came on March 15, 1939.

"This most important step in unleashing war in Europe could be taken by Hitler only with the direct support of Britain and France," the Soviet statement said.

"On July 1, 1938 (Herbert) Von Dirksen, the German ambassador to London, reported to Berlin that for the British government 'one of the most essential planks in the program is to find a compromise with Germany' and 'this government displayed by any of the likely combinations of British politicians.'"

"The entire conduct of Britain and France showed that this unheard of treachery on the part of the British and French governments in regard to the Czechoslovak people and republic, far from being an episode in the policy of these states, represented a highly important phase in their policy, aimed at goading the Hitlerite aggressors against the Soviet Union."

Soviet Music

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pecially famous, was not specifically mentioned.

Critics were accused of failing to 'smash harmful views and theories,' of becoming 'loud speakers for separate composers,' of slavishly praising everything their favorites wrote.

Blame for all this was laid at the door of Khrapchenko's arts committee and the Union of Soviet Composers of which Khachaturian is chairman. The Central Committee ordered "organizational changes" in these and other party and state organs dealing with music.

The propaganda and agitation division of the Communist central committee was entrusted with the job of "correcting the situation, liquidating shortcomings and providing for the development of Soviet music in a realistic direction."

Composers in all fields must produce "a high quality" of "ideological works," the committee said.

The Soviet music world was accused of "formalistic distortions and anti-democratic tendencies alien to the Soviet people and their artistic tastes, denial of the main principles of classic music, propaganda of atonality, dissonance and disharmony which are alleged to be the expression of 'progress' and 'novelty' in the development of musical forms; renunciation of such most important foundations of musical creation as melody, a passion for muddled meuropathic combinations which transform music into a cacophony and chaotic heaping of sounds. . . . renunciation of polyphonic music and singing which are based on the simultaneous combination and development of a number of independent melodic lines, and a passion for one-tone unisonal music and singing—often without words—which violates the many-voiced structure common to our people and which leads to the pauperization and downfall of music."

The Central Committee recalled

that the Communist newspaper Pravda issued the first warning against "formalistic distortion" in 1936 when Shostakovich's Lady Macbeth of Mtsensky was so severely criticized.

Treating upon the best traditions of Russian and western classical music," the committee said, "rejecting these traditions as allegedly 'outdated, old-fashioned and conservative,' treating haughtily composers who try conscientiously to master and develop methods of classical music as supporters of 'primitive traditionalism and epigonism (degeneracy),' many Soviet composers in a race for falsely understood novelty have torn away from the demands of the artistic taste of the Soviet people, have closed themselves in narrow circles of specialists and musical gourmets, have lowered the high public role of music and narrowed its significance, limiting it by the satisfaction of distorted tastes of aesthetic individualists."

The Composers' Union praises unworthy works, the committee said, while composers who "desire to continue and develop the classical heritage are called secondary and are unnoticed and slighted."

"Composers who boast of their 'novelty and arch-revolutionism' in the sphere of music speak out as supporters of a most backward and musty conservatism," the committee said, "displaying a haughty intolerance to the least manifestations of criticism."

To protect themselves, it was added, composers have circulated the "rotten theory" that people who do not understand their music "are not grown up and their music will win public acclaim in 100 years."

Stalin's fellow-Georgian, the committee said, has neglected "the best traditions and experience of classic opera in general and Russian classic opera in particular in a race for false 'originality.' Examination of his work by the Central Committee, it was said, showed that it was symptomatic of "the unsatisfactory state of modern Soviet music."

Aptheker

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United States without knowing the history of these people!"

The field of Negro history, he declared, remains wide open, crying out for trained, competent workers.

"All of us," he added, "who move into the field of Negro history, stand on the shoulders of two great Negro scholars, Dr. Carter G. Woodson and Dr. W. E. B. Dubois. They were the true pioneers of modern Negro history. . . . They have today a fair number of efficient disciples, both Negro and white. Many more are needed. The riches of Negro history are inexhaustible."

Aptheker, among other projects in historiography, is now editing the papers and letters of Dr. Dubois. Quite a job, for there are over 150,000 documents, he said.

How had he happened to select Negro history as his special field? we asked.

During the depression decade, he reflected, he was a student at Columbia . . . there was enormous ferment on the campus, as there was throughout the country. Like others, he was questioning. Then he knew he wanted history.

And, as he began to look into Negro history, he saw "how barren and unsatisfactory most of it was."

He had lived in the South, and, as a boy, was "able to see the fact that in our sick society the sickest element, the weakest link was the position of the Negro people."

"I thought there was a possibility of contributing there. . . . And when I found how inadequate the history of the Negro people was, I knew it was a life-work."

We will be hearing much more from Herbert Aptheker, reading many more books. To Be Free brings to light much rich material hitherto obscured: the important role of the Negro in the Union Navy, pre-Civil War slave guerilla warfare, the militant crusade for abolition and the organizational activities during the reconstruction period.

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WJZ—Galen Drake
WCBS—Grand Slam
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WQXR—UN Newsreel
11:45-WNBC—Lora Lawton
WOR—Heart's Desire
WJZ—Ted Malone
WCBS—Rosemary
WQXR—Along the Danube

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC—Rad Hall
WOR—Kate Smith
WJZ—Welcome Travelers
WCBS—Wendy Warren
WQXR—News: Luncheon Concert
WNYC—Midday Symphony
12:15-WNBC—Metropolitan News
WCBS—Aunt Jenny
12:30-WNBC—Brokenshire
WOR—News; Answer Man
WJZ—Nancy Craig
WCBS—Helen Trent
12:45-WCBS—Our Gal Sunday
12:55-WNBC—Farmer's Bulletins
1:00-WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride
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WCBS—Baukhage
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WOR—John Gambling
WJZ—Patt Barnes
WCBS—Young Dr. Malone
1:45-WNBC—American Legion Lincoln Day
WOR—Victor H. Lindlahr
WCBS—Guiding Light
WNYC—Museum Talk
2:00-WNBC—Today's Children
WOR—Queen for a Day
WJZ—Maggi McNellis
WCBS—Second Mrs. Burton
WNYC—Weather; City News
WQXR—Encores
2:15-WNBC—Woman in White
WCBS—Perry Mason
WNYC—Program Favorites
2:30-WNBC—Holly Sloan
WOR—Recorded Music
WJZ—Bride and Groom
WCBS—Marriage for Two
WQXR—Curtain at 2:30
2:45-WNBC—Light of the World
WCBS—Rose of My Dream
WOR—Here's Hogan
WQXR—Musical Specialties
3:00-WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR—Movie Matinee
WJZ—Ladies Be Seated
WCBS—Double or Nothing
WNYC—Opera Matinee
WQXR—News; Recent Releases
3:15-WNBC—Ma Perkins
3:30-WNBC—Pepper Young
WJZ—Song of the Stranger
WCBS—Art Linkletter
WNYC—United Nations
3:45-WNBC—Right to Happiness
WOR—Daily Dilemmas
WQXR—Yetta Fessel
4:00-WNBC—Backstage Wife
WOR—Barbara Welles
WCBS—Hint Hunt
WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee
4:15-WNBC—Stella Dallas
4:25-WCBS—News
4:30-WNBC—Lorenzo Jones
WJZ—Treasury Band
WCBS—Galen Drake
WOR—Ladies Man
WNYC—Music of the Theatre
4:45-WNBC—Young Widder Brown
5:00-WJZ—Dick Tracy
WNYC—When a Girl Marries
WCBS—School of the Air
WNYC—Disk Date
WOR—Adventure Parade
WNYC—American Music Festival
WQXR—News; Today in Music
5:15-WNBC—Portia Faces Life
WOR—Superman
WJZ—Terry and Pirates
WQXR—Modern Rhythms

5:30-WNBC—Just Plain Bill
WOR—Captain Midnight
WJZ—Sky King
WCBS—Winner Take All
WQXR—Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC—Front Page Farrell
WOR—Tom Mix

EVENING

6:00-WNBC—Ken Banghart
WOR—Lyle Van
WJZ—Joe Hassel
WCBS—Eric Sevareid
WQXR—News: Music to Remember
WNYC—Sunset Serenade
6:15-WNBC—Bill Stern
WOR—Bob Eison, Interviews
WJZ—Ebel and Albert
WCBS—Of Men and Books
6:20-WNBC—Dardanelle Trio
6:30-WNBC—Godfrey Schmidt
WOR—Fred Vandeventer
WJZ—Allen Prescott
WCBS—Lum 'n' Abner
WNYC—City Rent Control Laws
WQXR—Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC—Three Star Extra
WCBS—Lowell Thomas
WNYC—Weather; Aviation
WOR—Stan Lomax
7:00-WNBC—Fulton Club
WOR—Pullover Lewis Jr.
WJZ—Headline Edition
WCBS—Beulah
WNYC—Masterwork Hour
WQXR—Concert Stage
7:15-WNBC—News of the World
WOR—Answer Man
WJZ—Elmer Davis
WCBS—Jack Smith
7:30-WNBC—Hollywood Open House
WOR—Newscope
WJZ—Henry Morgan
WCBS—Club 15
WQXR—Emery Deutsch
7:45-WNBC—Bill Brandt
WCBS—Edward R. Murrow
8:00-WNBC—The Aldrich Family
WOR—Jan August Show
WJZ—Candid Microphone
WCBS—FBI
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall
WNYC—American Composers Concert
8:15-WOR—Kay Lorraine
8:30-WNBC—Burns and Allen
WJZ—Ellery Queen
WOR—Mutual Block Party
WCBS—Mr. Keen
WNYC—Music by Americans
8:55-WCBS—Bill Henry
WOR—Billy Rose
9:00-WNBC—Al Johnson
WOR—Gabriel Paster
WJZ—Willie Piper
WCBS—Dick Haymes
WNYC—American Composers Concert
WQXR—News; Concert Hall
9:15-WOR—Poems—A. H. Alexander
9:30-WNBC—Jack Carson
WOR—RFD America
WJZ—The Clock
WCBS—Crime Photographer
WNYC—Fire Dept. Band
WQXR—Record Rarities
9:45-WNYC—Top Talk
10:00-WNBC—Bob Hawk
WOR—Gov. Dewey: Lincoln Day Dinner
WJZ—Lee Sweetland Show
WCBS—Radio Readers Digest
WQXR—News; Record Album
10:30-WNBC—Eddie Cantor
WOR—Symphonette
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WCBS—First Nighter
WQXR—Just Music
10:45-WJZ—Earl Godwin
11:00-WNBC—News; Music
WOR—News; Music
WJZ—News; Music
WCBS—News; Music
WQXR—News; Symphony
11:15-WCBS—Robert Q. Lewis
WOR—Family Theatre
11:30-WNBC—First Piano Quartet
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Adventures of Richard

Flekel Speculates
On A New Ice Age

By Michael Singer

GEEZELMAN was saying to Froelich: "This is the worst winter I can ever remember. Snow, snow and more snow. Cold, cold and more cold." "Gripe, gripe and more gripes," No-Nose retorted.

Froelich said the Geezelman: "Ignore the piece of slush. He'll melt as soon as the sun comes out."

"A-a-a-h, you guys," No-Nose scoffed. "As soon as it gets below 100 degrees you're screaming about blizzards. Aintcha got blood in your veins?"

"Yeh, for guys old enough to know what Valley Forge was like you oughta be used to winter by this time," Menash added.

Geezelman turned to Flekel. "How come you haven't got anything to say?"

"I WAS THINKING," Flekel replied. "You know, maybe we're gonna have the ice age back again. Remember once there was nothing but ice all over the world?"

"Remember? You remember? Know how long ago that was?" Froelich asked, millions of years ago, millions.

Moran came out of the house at that moment. "Ask Moran, he remembers," said No-Nose, his arch nemesis.

Moran wasn't out a minute when his nose reddened from the cold. "What are you standing around for, posing for an ice-cube ad?" he asked.

Menash said: "Whaddya want, hot-water bags in your pants?"

"YOU BETTA run upstairs, Moran," No-Nose suggested, "before your nose breaks off like an icicle."

Moran was blowing on his hands, hopping up and down and generally looking very uncomfortable.

No-Nose looked at him for a minute and then piped: "I can't figure you out, Moran. With so much hot air in you how do you ever get cold?"

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BAKED CODFISH CAKES

2 Cups flaked salt codfish
4 Cups diced, pared raw potatoes
2 Eggs, slightly beaten
Paprika
2 Tbsp. margarine
Speck pepper
1/2 Tsp. celery-salt

Freshen fish, following manufacturer's directions. Then cook with the potatoes until the potatoes are tender. Drain well, then mash with a potato masher. Add the remaining ingredients and beat until light and fluffy. Shape into patties. Place in an oiled baking dish and bake in a moderately hot oven of 400 F. until brown.

FOOD TIP

When codfish cakes are baked or fried, drain on crumpled paper toweling after they are finished. This will keep them from getting soggy.

Fish, like meat, should not be cooked at a high temperature. For tenderness, cook at moderate temperature for as short a time as possible. In order to remove fish odors from dishes, first rub with moistened salt and rinse thoroughly.

CINNAMON COFFEE CAKE

1 Egg
1/2 Cup milk
1 1/2 Cups biscuit mix
3 Tbsp. sugar
2 Tbsp. sugar
1/2 Tsp. cinnamon

Beat egg, stir in next 3 ingredients. In a separate utensil mix 2 tbsps. of the sugar and cinnamon. Spread batter in a greased pan, sprinkle with cinnamon sugar mixture. Bake 20-25 minutes in an oven of 400 F. . . . Serve warm.

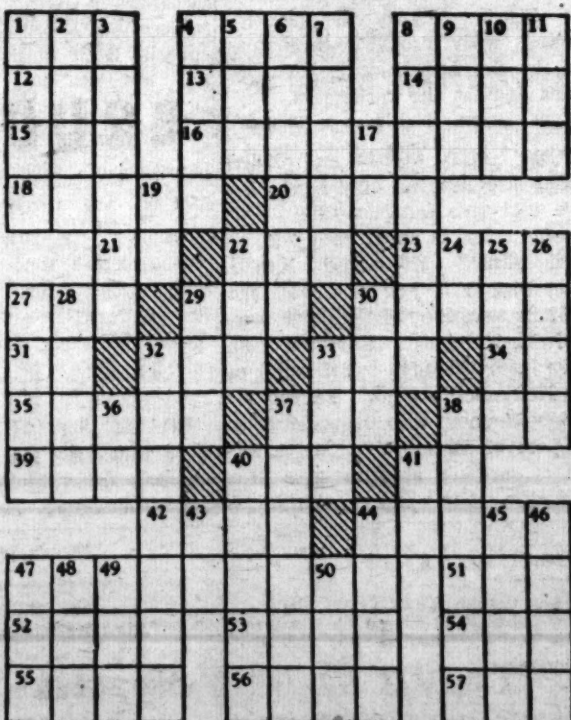
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

- 1-Venomous snake
- 4-Large bundle
- 8-Foundations
- 12-Meadow
- 13-Soon
- 14-Bacteriologist's culture
- 15-Through
- 16-Small banner
- 18-Water flying in small drops
- 20-Extinct bird
- 21-Upon
- 22-To intimidate
- 23-Salamander
- 27-To strike
- 29-Firearm
- 30-Male singing voice
- 31-Butterfly
- 32-Energy
- 33-Youngster
- 34-Not any
- 35-Whirling motion
- 37-Animal's foot
- 38-Pig pen
- 39-To hoard
- 40-To importune
- 41-Symbol for ruthenium
- 42-Poetic: earth
- 44-Cuttlefish
- 47-Monologue
- 51-Greek letter
- 52-The birds
- 53-Murmuring sound of a cat
- 54-Cover
- 55-Crown of the head
- 56-Transmitted
- 57-Worm

VERTICAL

- 1-European mountain system
- 2-To leak
- 3-To repeat by rote
- 4-Infant
- 5-Literary scraps
- 6-Author of "Martin Eden"
- 7-To furnish with funds
- 8-English title
- 9-Gone by
- 10-Sodium chloride
- 11-Before
- 17-Man's nickname
- 19-Article
- 22-Container
- 24-Printer's measure
- 25-Habit
- 26-Priam's kingdom
- 27-To express disapproval of
- 28-State
- 29-To congregate
- 30-To haul
- 32-To postulate
- 33-Light brown
- 36-Four
- 37-Mexican drink
- 38-Compliant
- 40-Lets fall
- 41-Note of scale
- 43-Mulberry
- 44-Bog
- 45-Wife of Osiris
- 46-Helps



Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

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Ted Tinsley Says

Herbert Hoover Leads Tinsley's List Of The Ten Best Dressed Men Of 1947

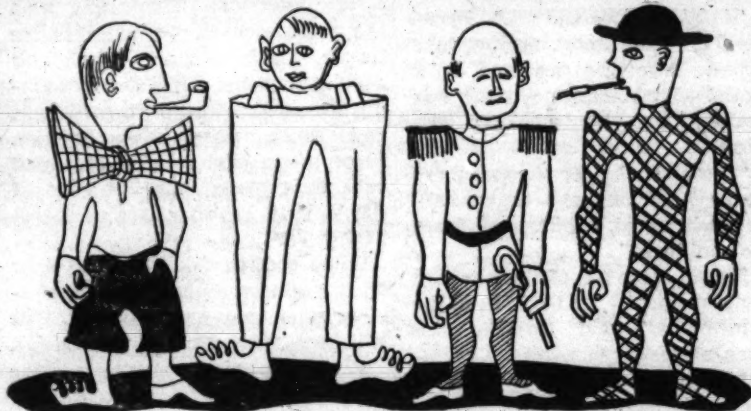
EVERY year about this time, or a little earlier, the most profound minds of America, led by Cholly Knickerbocker of the N. Y. Journal-American, publish their lists of the best dressed men and women of the previous year. This is obviously an important social function of the free press, and it more firmly establishes America's leadership in world affairs. The lists are a powerful and definitive answer to all foreign critics of the Marshall Plan.

In recognition of my own social responsibilities, here is my list of 1947's best dressed men.

HERBERT HOOVER. Mr. Hoover undoubtedly remains Number One on this list. He is also high on our list of Public Enemies. His collar, high and delicately curved, is as advanced as his social and political ideas, but it wears better.

BURTON K. WHEELER. Mr. Wheeler rates second on this list for having dressed as the Friend of the Working Man. Although it is true that Wheeler's costume fooled only William Green and the AFL Executive, Mr. Wheeler nevertheless deserves this rating.

PAPPY LEE O'DANIEL. Pappy (Pass the biscuits, Pappy), a statesman who has done so much to give the peoples of the world a



greater respect for our Congress, is known for the soup-stains on his vest. Always a careful soup-stainer, Pappy never stains with a soup whose color does not match the color of the fabric. It was Pappy who first introduced tomato soup on grey sharkskin, an effect now popular in the Senate.

THOMAS E. DEWEY. Mr. Dewey is noted for the aplomb with which he wears farmers' clothes. It is well known that whenever a photographer is within reach, and the farm vote is in doubt, Dewey seizes a chic straw hat, a pair of overalls, and a plough. Sometimes he even wears blinders. Dewey adds to the general effect by chewing on a piece of straw in complementary colors.

HEAD USHER AT ROXY'S. His carriage, and his general bearing, the sharp cut of his uniform and the military manner in which he wears it, all make most any four-star general look like the original Sloppy Joe.

ADOLPHE MENJOU. Menjou makes our list primarily because of that shower curtain he uses for a necktie. In the center of this necktie he always wears a gay hubcap from an old Stanley Steamer. The necktie is carefully draped around the neck, and those who have seen him dress swear that he wraps the nether end around his brain. Menjou best typifies the Common Man in Striped Afternoon Pants and Cutaway Coat.

LOUIS FRANCIS BUDENZ. Although Mr. Budenz would not ordinarily rate seventh place on this or any other list, we include him because he has nerve enough to go out in public, no matter what clothes he happens to be wearing.

DOUGLAS MACARTHUR. This prominent real estate operator has caused a stir in fashion circles by appearing in the divine halo which formerly surrounded the noggin of one Hirohito. MacArthur, also known as Divine Son of duPont, is the leading exponent of the swagger stick, without which he considers himself naked.

SMITH BROTHERS (TRADE and MARK) rate ninth and tenth places, respectively, having nosed out Norman Thomas and Charlie McCarthy. We do not know what clothes the Smith Brothers wear under their beards, but we suspect they are in the best of taste.

You will notice that no candidates from behind the "iron curtain" have been included, principally because the peoples of these nations evidently do not believe that clothes make the man. They have a funny theory that men make the clothes.

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Book Notes

Never Love a Stranger by Harold Robbins will be published by Alfred A. Knopf on March 1. Mr. Robbins' first novel is a story of New York during the days of 1929 and after. It is about Frankie Kane, brought up in a Catholic orphanage, only to find out he is a Jew.

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Hollywood:

Spotlight On A Gigantic Monopoly

By David Platt

THE Thomas Committee charges that the communists are trying to overturn the motion picture industry. But another branch of the government, the Department of Justice, claims that the present policies of the major movie companies are doing just that. The D. of J. is suing to divorce Hollywood production from distribution and exhibition. The government's case, which is now pending in the Supreme Court, is based on Monograph 43—The Motion Picture Industry—A Pattern of Control, published in 1941 at the beginning of the anti-trust suit.

In this pamphlet the government revealed the following facts about the movie trust:

IN THE UNITED STATES today there are about 110 film producers and ten times that many distributors and exhibitors. Nevertheless, the film industry is dominated by only eight major corporations. Seventy percent of all feature films made in America are made by these eight companies. Features produced by independents consist largely of 'quickies', westerns and melodramas which are not showing in first-class theatres. Control of distribution by these eight studios is even greater. During the past ten years the Big Eight received more than 70 percent of all film rentals in the United States.

Furthermore, of the 17,000 movie theatres in this country, the major companies control 2,800 or 16 percent. This may seem like a small percentage of producer-controlled houses. But most of these 2,800



are located in cities with populations of 100,000 or over. They represent theatres like the Paramount, Roxy, Capitol—theatres with huge seating capacities. These 2,800 theatres take nearly 50 percent of all box office revenue. The remaining 14,200 theatres not owned by the Big Eight collect the other 50 percent.

So the Big Eight takes in 70 percent of all film rentals and 50 percent of all box office receipts. Add them together to get a picture of the gigantic monopoly that makes truly independent production virtually impossible.

THE GOVERNMENT'S specific charges against the major movie companies include the following:

Withholding films from independent theatres. Mutual loaning of production personnel and equipment without extending these privileges to independent producers on the same terms. Fixing of length of run and minimum admission prices. Making exclusive contracts with chain theatres in some localities. Charging independent theatres higher film rentals than chain theatres in equivalent situations. Forcing short subjects and newsreels on independent theatres. Excluding independent films from chain theatres. Eliminating competition by jointly operating theatres.

Will Attorney General Clark and the Supreme Court break up this gigantic monopoly? For an answer read the history of the anti-trust suit against the steel monopoly in 1910—as neat an exhibition of shadow-boxing as you will ever see.



GERARD PHILIPPE and Edwige Feuillere in 'The Idiot' at the Golden Theatre, presented by Andre Lelarge and produced by Sacha Gordine.

Today's Film:

'Killer McCoy' Pulls its Punches

By Herb Tank

ANY new fight picture that comes around these days will have to stand up to comparison with *Body and Soul*. A new fight film pulled into town yesterday and set up shop at the Loew's State, right across the street from the Globe where *Body and Soul* is packing them in for the 14th solid week. Al-

KILLER MCCOY. MGM Picture. With Mickey Rooney, Brian Donlevy, Ann Blyth, James Dunn and Sam Levene. At the Loew's State.

though *Killer McCoy* is housed close by, I'm afraid it's a long, long way from *Body and Soul* in every other respect.

Both films are fight films. On the surface they seem to be made of the same stuff. Both tell a story about a slum kid who, driven by poverty, fights his way to the top of the fight game. Both protagonists become corrupted, get entangled with crooked promoters, and, in the last minute, turn the tables against the racketeers.

BODY AND SOUL and *Killer McCoy* are not the only films that have told this familiar tale. This prizefight tale is an ancient one, an often filmed Hollywood legend. *Killer McCoy* is just a repeat. For all of its talk about fighting its way up from the gutter this new film never loses the nice sweet smell of the Hollywood studio. Except for Mickey Rooney, who brings guts to the part of McCoy that the script-writers weren't able to give this character, the other characters

would never be remembered as people. They are simply parts—parts played by pleasant actors like Brian Donlevy, Ann Blyth and James Dunn.

Body and Soul, on the other hand, tells its story, not as an old Hollywood legend smelling sweetly of studies and stereotypes, but as an honest legend of the slums. Written and directed with a socially critical viewpoint *Body and Soul* comments on the problem of the Jew and the Negro in American life, and brings into sharp critical focus a world where life is cheap, violence plentiful, and people are bought . . . body and soul.

Killer McCoy has no viewpoint, no criticism, no comment to make about the world it is attempting to portray. If it speaks of poverty, and pictures slums, it's only as a gimmick. Poverty is the scriptwriter's mechanical reason for their hero becoming a fighter. His poolhall background accounts for his tough speech. Both make him a natural for sweet-talking, wealthy Ann Blyth to fall in love with.

The few flashes of reality and moments of excitement in *Killer McCoy* are provided by Mickey Rooney in the title role. Despite bad direction that permits him to mug much too much, Mickey Rooney turns in an impressive performance in his first serious, adult role.

FRANK SOCIAL purpose gave *Body and Soul* real punch. Unfortunately *Killer McCoy* doesn't pack the same wallop.

Music:

All-Hanns Eisler Concert At Town Hall Feb. 28

LEONARD BERNSTEIN, Aaron Copland, David Diamond, Roy Harris, Walter Piston, Roger Sessions and Randall Thompson have joined forces to sponsor a all-Hanns Eisler concert on the evening of Feb. 28 at Town Hall.

Due to the huge success of a West Coast concert, given under the sponsorship of Igor Stravinsky, Roger Sessions, Aaron Copland and others, Mr. Eisler's composer-colleagues have gotten together to present a similar concert at New York's Town Hall.

The program to be presented will be a cross-section of Mr. Eisler's chamber music works and songs.

Two suites written for septet will be under the direction of Frank Brief of the Gulet Quartet.



Around the Dial

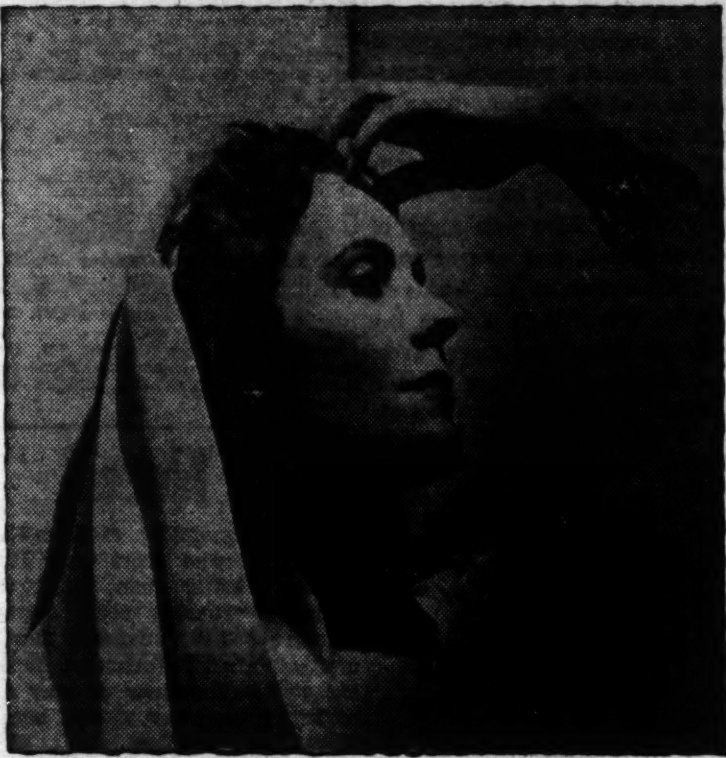
Peter Donald's Dialect Jokes
Dull And Often Offensive

By Bob Lauter

PETER DONALD, a WNEW feature whose transcribed program you can catch at 8:00 p.m., is a comedian who offers a straight joke-telling program. No dialog, no stooges. Donald relies principally on jokes told in dialect. Inevitably, such an approach to humor always threatens to be offensive, and in fact often is. I found the program rather on the dull side, and the sponsors help not at all with a commercial that is unusually insistent and not very bright.

I've often thought that the advertising of medicinals (a patent medicine outfit sponsors Donald) is a particularly reprehensible form of radio advertising. Some outfit gives you a headache with their commercials and then tries to sell you headache pills.

A READER WRITES: "Your comment on Earl Godwin (WJZ) struck me as very different from that in a letter published in Voice of Freedom Bulletin, January 1948, Page 3. Godwin's manner may be different from the ordinary, but if his content is such as indicated by this V.O.F. item, I think you should warn your readers. You should not give the impression that he is worth hearing because of his novel manner. I have not heard him myself. I have merely read these two comments."



THE NOTED soprano Jarmila Novotna will be heard in the Metropolitan Opera broadcast of *Der Rosenkavalier* on ABC-WJZ this Saturday at 2:00. . . .

The note in the V.O.F. Bulletin was a copy of a letter addressed to WJZ. The listener wrote, "With the hope of hearing a news report or analysis, I tuned in your station last night at 10:30 p.m. to hear Earl Godwin, who was listed as news reporter in the New York Times. . . . I did not hear a news report, but a prejudiced stupid talk on all sorts of matters ranging from America losing her freedom by coming in contact with Europe, to dribble about the great Russian Imperialist Empire."

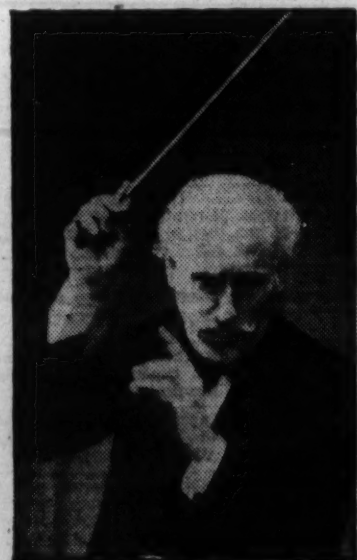
Well, I never intended to give the impression that Godwin was a good commentator, but if I have, let me say now that the two notes I have reprinted are very much to the point.

TELEVISION station WNET has been running a series of spot announcements advertising a new RKO movie. The announcements consisted of film and special video effects. Now, it seems, we can get out "Coming Attractions" over the air as well as in the movie houses. As one who has always considered "Coming Attractions" the best part of most movie shows, perhaps this will save us the trouble of going to the movies at all.

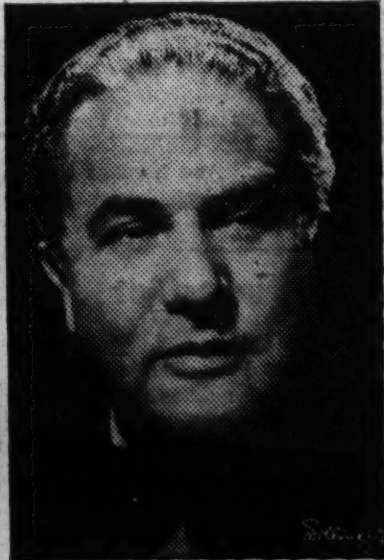
First we could only hear the commercials. Now we can see and hear them. In a little while we can expect another great advance—we'll be able to smell them.

ON RADIO'S brighter side, Arturo Toscanini will return to the podium of the NBC Symphony Orchestra for the first of eight consecutive concerts beginning Saturday, Feb. 14 (WNBC, 6:30 p.m.). The opening program of the series will present music of Strauss, Berlioz and Moussorgsky, and will feature Maurice Ravel's orchestral arrangement of Moussorgsky's "Pictures At An Exhibition."

(For radio listings see Page 11.)



ARTURO TOSCANINI leads the NBC Symphony Orchestra Saturday at 6:30. . . .



EMANUEL LIST, Metropolitan Opera bass, heard on ABC-WJZ Saturday at 2:00. . . .

On Stage:

Sex Dominates Negro Problem In New Stages Sartre Play

By Lee Newton

NEW STAGES' production of Jean-Paul Sartre's *The Respectful Prostitute* maintains a rapid exciting pace and does an expert dramatic job presenting the author's idea that the most pronounced characteristic of the disgusting southern lynchers—and Sartre has no trouble showing them as disgusting—is the repulsiveness of their sexual life.

Sartre has always been a highly proficient practitioner in the ugliness-for-ugliness-sake field and he displays the same talent when he goes to work on a pro-lynching

THE RESPECTFUL PROSTITUTE, by Jean-Paul Sartre, adapted from the French by Eva Wolas, presented by New Stages, Inc., at the New Stages Theatre, 159 Bleeker St. Produced by Norman Rose and David Hellwell. Directed by Mary Hunter. Settings by Robert Gundlach. Costumes by Dorothy Croissant. Lighting by David Hellwell.

Cast (in order of appearance):
Lizzie McKaye Meg Mundy
The Negro John Marriott
Fred Karl Weber
John Willard Swire
James Sid Walters
Senator Clarke Wendell Holmes
A Man Martin Tarby

southern Senator and his ditto son. Both engage in obviously phony "patriotic" and "love of family" talk as they frame an innocent Negro on a rape charge. The Senator succeeds in spell-binding a warm-hearted prostitute, who is honestly opposed to framing the Negro, into signing that charge. Their revolting and inhuman attitude toward the Negro people is exhibited with all of Sartre's skill in presenting ugliness.

BUT ALL THIS to what purpose? An honest study of this kind can be first-rate art and have an honest result. Sartre, however, does not use this important dramatic material so that his audiences can get the benefit of it. To the contrary, it is handled merely as one of the two sensational features of the play; the other—the sexual relations between the prostitute and the Senator's son. When the last curtain falls sex has reared its head far "above" the Negro question: that had "disappeared" because Sartre had permitted the frame-up victim to escape a bullet fired by the Senator's son. The son can now proceed to get the answer from the prostitute to the question that's been plaguing his soul along with his passion for her: had he satisfied her sexually?

IN THE STRUCTURE of Sartre's play the sexual response of the prostitute becomes a matter of importance equal to the lynch theme. This, to my mind, is as effective a



KARL WEBER as the Senator's son and Meg Mundy as the Respectful Prostitute in the play with that title by Jean-Paul Sartre at the New Stages Theatre.

method of degrading the whole issue of the Negroes' place in society for Sartre's intellectual audiences, as Westbrook Pegler's method for the readers of the Hearst press. More effective, in the sense that Sartre's skillful portrayal of the lynchers' horrible surface characteristics, ostensibly puts him on the side of progress. He even mocks the lynchers' anti-Communist, anti-union and anti-Semitic propaganda. But there aren't many Americans who will naturally understand that intellectual reaction in a country like France can work on a much higher level than in our own country.

A man like Sartre there can ridicule the more obvious forms of red-baiting that are used extensively here in order to more effectively put over his own type. Or, as in this play, to put over more effectively his reactionary philosophy. For in *The Respectful Prostitute* the only opposition to the lynchers comes from the simple-minded prostitute, who, in the end, succumbs to the lyncher. The Negro, who is played with dignity by John Marriott, has nothing to offer but a protestation of his innocence.

When the northern prostitute asks him how is it possible that a whole town could so hate him he

can only answer, "That's white folks." When she offers him a gun for protection he refuses it. He cannot conceive of a Negro actively defending himself from the physical violence of whites. When, in exasperation, she blurts out that there must be something to make people hate him so—he remains silent to the point where she can exclaim logically that there is "guilt" in him.

TECHNICALLY, the New Stages production as a whole was excellent. Director Mary Hunter successfully saw to it that there was a lot of crackle about the action; tension was successfully built up where needed; the performances were professionally adept (I was wishing, however, that Meg Mundy, who was very appealing as the prostitute, would play that "Brooklyn" accent on a somewhat lower key.)

Socially, in my opinion, New Stages hasn't done the cause of progress any good by giving Sartre's subtly slick, defeatist dramatic propaganda a better production than it deserved—or a production at all. The commercial theatre can do that very well without a helping hand from the honest and sincere people who make up New Stages.

Theatre Notes

EVA LE GALLIENNE, one of America's foremost exponents and interpreters of Ibsen, will be starred in Henrik Ibsen's famous plays, *Ghosts* and *Hedda Gabler* at the Cort Theater beginning Feb. 16. She will be presented by Louis J. Singer and the American Repertory Theater. The entire engagement at the Cort Theater is limited to four weeks.

Ghosts will be the first play, starting Monday, Feb. 16, and ending Sunday night, Feb. 29. *Hedda Gabler* will follow on Tuesday, March 2, and conclude its run on Saturday night, March 13.

Both productions have had the benefit of Margaret Webster's personal supervision.

Miss LeGallienne's supporting

cast includes Alfred Ryder, who is currently featured on the screen in *T-Men*, Herbert Berghof, Robert Emhardt, Efrem Zimbalist, Jr., Emily McNair and Jean Hagen.

When it comes to Ibsen—or repertory—Miss LeGallienne is one of our outstanding authorities, having established, managed and directed the Civic Repertory Theater, the only successful dramatic venture of its kind in all New York dramatic history. For seven years, from 1926 to 1933, she presented the works of Shakespeare, Chekov, Barrie, Moliere—and Ibsen. It was at the Civic Repertory that such Ibsen opuses as *Hedda Gabler*, *The Master Builder*, *A Doll's House* and *John Gabriel Borkman* garnered a vast and unprecedented following.

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On the Score Board

By Lester Rodney

Mr. Gallico of Hearst Inc.

LISTEN TO THIS: "I am not anti-Semitic, but what 100 percent American cat wants to go to Europe under the name of Thomas and come back labelled Kolinsky?"

The wise guy who wrote that is Paul Gallico, one-time sports editor of the Daily News, now doing "human interest" pieces for the Hearst papers. And don't anyone tell me I'm quoting him out of context. Anti-Semitism is never out of context.

Gallico is the one who threw up his sports writing career back in 1938, wrote a book called "Farewell to Sports" and went to Europe to write and contemplate from afar his native land, which was suddenly too brash, uncultured and commercialized for his taste.

His revulsion at the crackle of the green paper didn't somehow prevent him from becoming one of the, if not THE most prolific moneymakers in the slick magazine field. His stuff has always been glib, finished, readable, and carefully devoid of honest content. Which adds up to profitable in the gaudy fiction world of Saturday Evening Post, Colliers, Liberty and company.

Now he has joined another ex-sports writer, Westbrook Pegler, on the pages of the papers run by the man "no decent American would touch with a ten foot pole," as historian Charles A. Beard put it.

His revolt against the brash and uncultured has ended alongside the screaming semi-literate capital lettered editorials by the "Chief," alongside of Isaac Don Levine, Esie-Robinson and Howard Rushmore.

However, lest anyone think that his sly anti-Semitism is a latter day manifestation, let him turn to the section on basketball in his "Farewell to Sports," where it is noted that Jews are especially good at basketball because it requires more than anything else an Oriental kind of cunning and trickiness. And something even more revolting which I wouldn't print here.

For this is the brash, uncultured, commercialized Daily Worker, not the Journal-American.

Dix Off the Air

DIZZY DEAN may not drive the English teachers of St. Louis wild this year. His sponsor, one of the brewery houses, figures too few people will be interested in the dismal Brownies to make daily broadcasts of their '48 games

worth while. The big boy from Oklahoma who pitched his heart and arm out for Sam Breadon when it was "Me 'n Paul" every other day, is under contract and is assured some kind of job for the year, possibly commercial plugs for the foamy stuff.

Dix' knowledge of baseball and his huge zest made him one of the more enjoyable play by play broadcasters. His knowledge of the English language was something else. St. Louis fans were often informed that their favorites, with a couple of men on and a long fly ball hit, had "returned to their respectable bases." And when the Brownies' Dillinger pulled a daring steal of third, the excited Dix let the world know that he "slid in beautiful!" When the game got dull, Dix would casually sing snatches of his favorite song, "The Wabash Cannonball," an epic surely known to every GI.

Various Topics

HOW PREXY GIDEONSE and company operate at Brooklyn College: Lou Oshins has been football coach for 21 years. With no advance warning, and during the nine day recess between semesters, when no student opinion could be expressed, Oshins got the axe and a new coach was announced. Oshins is exceedingly popular with the students and the gridders and the last word may not have been spoken at the Flatbush school.

Edwards, Hatten, Reese and Robinson are all far from happy about Branch Rickey's salary offers. . . .

Someone who heard last Saturday afternoon's CCONY-Montclair game over the radio passed along to Nat Holman the fact that Mason Benson, City's biggest player and under the board hope, had only been mentioned about three times as taking the ball off the boards. Nat passed along the word to Mason. Maybe it's a certain respect for the "magic" of the radio, but anyhow, according to Nat, the big boy took it more to heart than he had ever taken it direct from the coach himself. And the next day in scrimmage—"He was a tiger under the boards," chuckled Holman.

SOVIET WOMEN IN TITLE MEET



Champion mixed skating team of the USSR, M. Issakova (right) and A. Anikanov, shown on Lake Pecherskoye at Gorky. Soviet women are reputed to be the best speed skaters in Europe and claim several records.

MOSCOW, Feb. 11 (UP).—Izvestia announced today that eight of the Soviet's top skaters will participate in the world women's speed skating championships at Turku, Finland, Saturday and Sunday.

It will mark the first time that the Soviet Union has competed for the world championship.

Offer U. S. Food To Olympians

LONDON, Feb. 11 (UP).—An offer by the United States to supply food for all the athletes at the summer Olympic Games today awaited acceptance or rejection by the Olympic Executive Committee.

The offer was made yesterday by president Avery Brundage and treasurer Owen V. Van Camp of the U.S. Olympic Committee. Neither E. J. Holt, director of organization, or S. G. Briault, Olympic Housing chief, would reveal just who the donors of the food would be.

Van Camp said he wanted to see that "any surplus after the games be distributed to hospitals and children's homes."

Briault revealed that the Irish Amateur Athletic Association has offered to supply all the eggs required, South Africa may provide the tinned fruit, and Sweden may provide matches.

Favor C.C.N.Y. And St. Johns

Beavers Meet Sleeper Dickinson Team at 3 p.m., Redmen vs. Fordham, p.m.

The nets at the 69th Regiment Armory (25 St. and Lexington Ave.) will be swishing a plenty today and tonight, as two holiday college doubleheaders hit the boards. In the afternoon CCONY's tourney consociate team takes on Dickinson College of Pennsylvania, and at night St. Johns' oft beaten but deadly-against-locals club continues its drive for the mythical metropolitan championship when it takes on Fordham.

The afternoon program begins at 1:30 p.m. when the CCONY freshmen, a sprightly bunch with several varsity prospects, meets the freshman team of Seton Hall. Then at 3 p.m. the big team takes on Dickinson, a little name school which may have a surprise in its system.

The visitors have won eight of their 10 games, and one of their two defeats was at the hands of unbeaten Columbia by a mere two points. In their most recent game they swamped Washington and Jefferson 73-52. Last year the team won 15 and lost 2, and it is out to hit the "big time" by upsetting CCONY.

The result should be a good fast game as the Beavers, who came back from their midyear layoff in fine shape and raring to go, don't aim to lose any from here on in. City, with a record of 10 and 3, will have a height advantage over the visitors. Three ex-centers, Benson, Farberman and Dambrot, will all be in the starting lineup, along with Shapiro and Malahem. Jameson, Finestone, Mager, and the fast coming Paul Malamed will see lots of action.

THE ST. JOHNS-FORDHAM fray, at night, is an old traditional, with the Brooklynites holding a 14 to 9 edge. Despite its below .500 mark, the improved Redmen have knocked off all three Met foes to date, beating CCONY, Brooklyn and Manhattan, and should add the heightless Fordham team to its string. The tallest Rams, Graham and Bach, go 6-2.

Fordham is considered out of tourney contention after its two recent defeats by Syracuse and Columbia, while St. Johns, which was reeled and socked early in the year by the best in the land, and then began stiffening, still has hopes of getting one of the two invite spots for locals IF it rolls home from here in, beating everyone including NYU to become Met. champs. Can't quite see the latter myself. . . .

Lineups, Numbers

No.	City Col.	Pos.	Dickinson	No.
18	Dambrot	LF	Hopper	49
20	Farberman	RF	Noonan	41
12	Benson	C	Schafmeister	51
7	Shapiro	LG	Evans	42
11	Malamed	RG	Overholt	40

No.	St. John's	Pos.	Fordham	No.
25	Redding	LF	Smith	7
21	McGuire	RF	Abele	11
27	Summer	C	Graham	3
28	Tolan	LG	Bach	17
11	Buckley	RG	Mulvihill	4

City Reserves: Finestone (3), Brickman (4), Chelco (5), Markoff (6), Finger (8), Wittlin (9), Jameson (10), Millman (14), Trubowitz (15), Mager (16), Watkins (17), Galber (19), Malamed (21). Dickinson Reserves: May (43), Crow (44), Abbott (45), Miller (46), Slike (47), Long (48), Pooley (50).

Court Notes

Giving ammunition to those New Englanders who snort that Holy Cross is better than NYU, the Crusaders Tuesday night dazled Temple by the outlandish margin of 71-44. The NCAA champs, finishing very strong, may or may not be better than our Violets, but it should be remembered that NYU also routed Temple when the Philadelphia played away from home.

One of the most interesting games of the year takes place Saturday night when St. Louis meets Oklahoma A&M in a return game. The wonderful St. Louisians have lost only to the Aggies in a close one, and a return victory will stamp them as top favorites for mythical national honors and the more tangible Invitation Tourney title.

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Why Walcott Is Firm on Movie 30%

Why is Jersey Joe Walcott making a last-ditch fight over the movie rights to his title battle with Joe Louis next June?

Manager Joe Webster answered that question yesterday, as follows: "Walcott knows that the movies of the June fight will be the most valuable sports picture ever made. Those movies will not only show a great fight, but they will show how a great champion came to the end of the trail—how Louis was knocked out in his 25th defense of the crown."

A reporter asked Webster if it were true that he and Walcott were demanding 30 percent of the profits of the June movies.

Pilot Joe—a portly, bespectacled, middle-aged chap with thinning brown hair—slapped a plump hand on the table in his tavern, for emphasis, and declared:

"You bet it's true. And if we don't get 30 percent there'll be no Wal-

cott-Louis fight."

The reporter reminded Webster that he had made similar statements a month ago when demanding 30 percent of the net gate, and 30 percent of receipts from radio and television. Yet, Webster and Walcott finally accepted the 20th Century Club's original offer of 20 percent for each of three.

"You're absolutely right!" Webster cut in quickly. "We've given in to everything they've asked, to help them make this match. And Promoter Felix Bocchicchio of Camden even waived his prior rights to Walcott's services—to clear the way. Walcott did not object too strenuously to those give-ins."

"But Walcott's the guy who's doing the loudest yelling now for 30 percent of the movies. They might've talked me into making a compromise for maybe 27 1/2 percent. You know they've offered 25 1/2. But Walcott personally says it'll be 30 per-

cent or there'll be no fight."

Webster then explained that few persons appreciated what an intelligent man Walcott really is. Jersey Joe is not only a high school graduate, but he is a fellow who keeps in swing with current events by reading newspapers, magazines and books on economics and international affairs, according to Webster.

He continued, "I believe Walcott is the most intelligent and best informed man that ever challenged for the heavyweight title. I know—Bob Pastor went to a University for a while, and I know Gene Tunney went Shakespeare; but I'll stack Walcott up against either of them in an intelligence test, and bet my dough on Jersey Joe."

Webster stressed that Jersey Joe knows the movies of the June fight will be a gamble—that they'll be practically worthless if Louis should

happen to knock him out in an early round.

"There's only one guy who can make those movies worth a lot of money," he continued, "and that's Walcott. He's not only the principal actor, he's the whole show in those movies. And because they're his show, he's dead set on getting 30 per cent."

Grid Giants Set Dates, Sign Two

The New York Giants yesterday announced the dates for six home games next season, along with the signings of two college players.

The Giants will play at home in the Polo Grounds on Oct. 17 and 24, Nov. 7, 14, and 28, and Dec. 12, but said that opponents for those dates have not yet been determined. The 1948 league schedule is now being drawn up.

In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



The Dog Days

OVER 2,000 purebred canines invaded the Garden yesterday morning and many thousands of mix-breed humans, the salt of the earth, were allowed to pay their fees for the privilege of strolling through the dog jungle in the Garden basement, where the hounds are housing until their respective breeds are called upstairs to the various rings where handlers put them through their paces for the careful scrutiny of the meticulous judges.

Look how well that tail stands up on the Kerry Blue! Note the noble gait of that Doberman, will you! Ah, that brown and white wire-hair, how precious! A wondrous show, I say.

And yet the annual Westminster which opened yesterday was the most historic of all. A human touch was supplied amidst all the blue ribbons; the maddening quiet which prevails in the judging rings, the dog food displays and Gimbel's finest dog leashes, Chief Barmaid, a wire-haired fox terrier hailing originally from England, winner at the Terrier show the night before, was missing from the Big Top. Nobody kidnaped the pooch, but the consternation was equal to such a turn of events by the premeditated withdrawal of the dog from the Westminster.

The pride and joy of the Benrock Kennels was withdrawn because its owners felt it would ruin her as a house pet. The House She Lives In is in the Bronx and no greater fame has come to that borough since Babe Ruth hit for 60.

I CAN WELL understand the owner's reluctance to show the animal at the Garden. My Lobo Von Kleinhouse, whom you are seeing in the flesh on this page for the first time today, was not entered for the same reasons. Why, I wouldn't put Lobo through that nerve-racking experience for all the money in the world—and besides, the Westminster



LOBO V. KLEINHOUSE, of the Bill Mardo Kennels in Flatbush.

only pays off in blue ribbons and tarnishable cups. There can be no minimizing the damage to the nerves which a dog show entails for the pooches. How would you like to sit in the ill-ventilated Garden basement for hours, waiting your turn upstairs where the aggravation is increased a thousandfold, how would you like to be pawed and ogled and oohed and aahed at, expected to hold your flashing smile and pure bred discipline for the Honor of Dear Old Houndhaven Kennels?

And then upstairs to the judging circle, when some Joe in blue serge has you walk round and round till the music moans out here, letting him place a heavy hand on your rump to test the sturdiness of the hindquarters, never moving a muscle, not even if that nasty bitch tries to sneak in a bite at your heels while being put through your gait.

BUT THE PAYOFF, the Westminster Show is only the climax to all this fussing and pampering since the time of birth. Having your nails clipped regularly, getting more baths than the owner probably takes himself, going to school, being trained ceaselessly by a strange handler until you've got everything down pat. The diet is too finely observed, you can't eat candy because pimples might break out on your ear, and heaven help you if you've got a normal doggy itch. Never never scratch, for goodness sake, you'll mar the appearance of your finely groomed coat!

Being a show dog isn't good for the morale, either. Take those French Poodles. Shaved and scissored in the queerest designs, with a muff-like effect around the ankles, through the middle and goodness knows where else. Whattinhell you are supposed to do in the winter-time when you've been deprived of your natural coat's warmth, is another question for the ASPCA to cope with.

THE DOG IN our house has been saved from all this. Lobo, if he wanted to, could win Best-in-Show honors hands down. Aside from his unparalleled beauty (howdays like that picture, huh?), his pedigree is the finest. His father, Danny Von Kleinhouse, was sired by the immortal Amadeus Von Kleinhouse, only the Best in Breed at the Westminster three years back. Lobo was damned by—well I forgot her name, but anyway he's since been damned by everyone who comes into our apartment. Lobo's family line goes through and beyond International Grand Champions, International-National Champions, International-National-Bi-National Champions, Best of Breed, Best of Show, Best of Everything any dog show anywhere ever had to offer.

But you won't find him at Westminster, no sir. Like that Chief Barmaid from the Bronx, Lobo was bought for and remains a pet. Ain't never gonna let him get a case of those Showdog Nerves.

He smokes too damn much on a

TRACK NOTES...

With track fans more or less resigned to the future absence of Gil Dodds from the indoor boards, here's what a quick roundup of the latest track news showed them:

This Saturday's NYAC Meet will see 60 teams, 43 of them collegiate, racing in the 12 one-mile relays and the single two-mile event. . . . NYU and Seton Hall, photo finishers last week at Boston, have entered different mile-relay events. . . .

Canada's quarter-mile champ, Bob McFarlane of Ontario, will make his debut here Feb. 21 in the National AAU 600-yard run against George Guida, Dave Bolen and Herb McKenley. . . .

Two Penn State gridders are entered for the ICA games here Feb. 28th. The 60-yard dashers are half-back Larry Joe, and Negro end Dennis Hogard, who made that historic trip to the Cotton Bowl not so long ago. . . .

U. S. Finishes 4th, 5th in Pairs Skate

DAVOS, Switzerland, Feb. 11 (UP).—U. S. teams finished fourth and fifth as Micheline Lannoy and Pierre Baugnet of Belgium retained their world's pairs figure skating championship today in competition almost wrecked by the heavy snow.

Andrea Kekey and Ede Kiraly of Hungary were second, and Canada's Suzanne Morrow and Wallace Diestelmeyer were third.

That 1-2-3 finish was identical with that of the Winter Olympics at St. Moritz, last Saturday.

America's sister and brother team, Karol and Peter Kennedy of Seattle, Wash., were fourth today, and a pair of New Yorkers, Yvonne Sherman and Bob Swenning were

fifth. Miss Sherman and Swenning were fourth in the Olympics with the Kennedy kids sixth.

Winifred and Denis Silverthorne of Britain were sixth today.

Because of the threat of snow, only 200 spectators were on hand when the first skaters took to the ice before the nine heavily-clothed judges. As the competition progressed, the snow began to fall. Between numbers, workmen using heavy wooden rakes attempted to clear the ice.

The Belgian couple won the championship today with 13.5 placements even though Miss Lannoy stumbled once during the performance. The Kekey-Kiraly combination from Hungary scored 24.5 placements, the Canadians duo of Miss Morrow and Diestelmeyer 26.7, the Kennedys 38.5, Miss Sherman and Swenning 45.0 and the Silverthornes 51.5.

The father of the two Kennedys protested bitterly that the completion today should have been postponed because of the heavy snow. "This is ridiculous," he said as he shook the snow from his cap, and to the officials he yelled, "Get your snow shoes!"

However, Col. H. Storke, the American representative on the panel of judges, said that any idea of postponing the event was eliminated when the weather bureau predicted even more snow.

Harry Keighley, manager of the American squad, said "There's no reason to gripe. It's the same for everybody."

Barbara Ann Scott, who did not compete in the pairs but who will defend her individual women's championship Friday, exclaimed, "those poor kids! I hope it's better weather when I skate."

McKeever's Slap At USF '11' Irks Coach

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 11 (UP).—A deliberate attempt by former coach Ed (Tex) McKeever to damage the character of gridders playing for the University of San Francisco and ruin the reputation of USF athletic policies was charged today by Joe Kuharich, new Don head coach.

Kuharich made the accusation after news leaked out of a letter written by McKeever to Don football opponents and to Commissioner Vic Schmidt of the Pacific Coast Conference regarding past history and ineligibility possibilities of some of the Don players.

"This appears like a deliberate smear campaign against the players, the school and me," said Kuharich, who came to USF as McKeever's assistant. McKeever now is head coach of the Chicago Rockets of the All-America Conference.

"McKeever mentioned 15 or 18 boys in the letter, but most of the accusations are inaccurate," said

Kuharich. "Two of the boys are ineligible for further competition and already have dropped out of school—and Al Pietlewicz, Shenandoah, Pa., and center Phil O'Connor, Indianapolis, Ind."

McKeever reportedly charged in his letter that the Dons were using many ineligible players in their contests against other college teams.

His letter dealt exclusively with players "imported" from other states to play on the USF football team.

Kuharich said that school authorities had heard rumors of ineligibilities after the close of the regular season and the boys in question had been queried.

"We found that in most cases, the boys had lived up to the strictest letters of the law," he said.

Results, Entries, Al's Selections

HIALEAH ENTRIES

Hialeah Park entries for Thursday, Feb. 12. Cloudy and fast. Post 2 p.m. EST.

FIRST—3 furlongs; claiming; maiden; 2-year olds; \$3,000.
Ice Cap . . . 117 Loose Horse . . . 120
Best Trick . . . 117 Free Flight . . . 120
Garden Cloud . . . 117 Eternal Za . . . 117
Frankie D . . . 115 Braggadacio . . . 120
Terry Pepp . . . 117 Some Ending . . . 117
Major Kay . . . 120 Dear Boots . . . 117
Atom Ride . . . 112 Egrete . . . 117
Little Rajah . . . 120 Banovina . . . 115
Blocking Back . . . 120 Workans . . . 120

SECOND—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,000.
Pete's Kid . . . 117 Bullsel . . . 117
a-Santa's Vixen . . . 112 Duchess Argyle . . . 114
Eican . . . 117 Mattie Brown . . . 112
Shore Patrol . . . 119 Uncle Byron . . . 112
Rosemere Dee . . . 109 a-Scotch Double . . . 124
Single Gleam . . . 112 Yale . . . 117
Incoming . . . 122
a-Jug farm-Schlusemeyer entry.

THIRD—6 furlongs; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,500.
Ruling Time . . . 115 Santa Claus . . . 112
Sophocles . . . 118 Edemgee . . . 110
Shining Deed . . . 112 Salvo . . . 112
Musical Lady . . . 114 Steeple Jack . . . 108
Gray Warrior . . . 113 Our Bully . . . 112
Umpy Dan . . . 110 Arrogance . . . 108
Blue Seal . . . 116 Bellwether . . . 118
Big Wash . . . 118

FOURTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; \$4,000.
Kingarva . . . 118 Pompan . . . 111
Darby D'Amour . . . 118 Leavenworth . . . 106
Colossal . . . 101 EB . . . 112
Eagle Eye . . . 116 Vansiam . . . 112

FIFTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; \$4,000.
Andantino . . . 106 Love Sonnet . . . 109
Devastating . . . 108 Kay Gibson . . . 110
East Light . . . 106 Yankee Hill . . . 116
Danny J . . . 113 Red Rouge . . . 112
Dog O'Sullivan . . . 108

SIXTH—1 3/16 miles on turf; allowances; 3-year olds and up; \$4,000.
Peacelaw . . . 101 Campos . . . 108
Riskolter . . . 113 Scotland Yard . . . 108
Stud Poker . . . 110 Superwolf . . . 115

SEVENTH—1 1/4 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$4,000.
Waterproof . . . 113 Aralak . . . 119
Archer . . . 121 Croesus . . . 118
Pine Lake . . . 119 Jousting Match . . . 118
Magnus . . . 124

EIGHTH—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,000.
Bluel . . . 119 Snappy Package . . . 119
Nick Kenny . . . 121 Rose Canyon . . . 117
Sugar Man . . . 112 Manadroit . . . 117
Omaha Bound . . . 117 Chally Mally . . . 117
Big Wig . . . 117 Poochapel . . . 117
Frolicland . . . 117 Anako . . . 117
Shod Tourist . . . 122 Abim . . . 117
and Listed.

HIALEAH RESULTS

FIRST—1 1/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,000.
Enchanting . . . (Knapp) 23.90 11.80 5.00
Damos . . . (Stout) . . . 10.30 5.00
Gila Water . . . (Duff) . . . 2.50
Also ran—Alan F. Shifty Mae, Gigol-bury, Mason Dixon, Stolen Melody, Rocky Play, Potomac. Time—1:45 1/5.

SECOND—1 1/8 miles; maidens; 3-year-olds; \$3,000.
Alacrity . . . (Atkinson) 10.60 5.40 3.30
Skill . . . (Snider) . . . 23.30 8.80
Justa Whirl . . . (Dodson) . . . 2.90
Also ran—Nickel, Lady Fakir, Ball-sickle, a-Four To One, Silverware, Dabster, Barrage, a-Wichfield-Starmount entry. Time—1:31 3/5.

THIRD—3 furlongs; claiming; 2-year-olds; \$3,000.
Eternal Flag . . . (Snider) 4.60 2.40 2.10
Wingy . . . (Atkinson) . . . 2.30 2.10
High Style . . . (Combest) . . . 2.20
Also ran—Our Pick, Peppers O, Film Editor. Time—33 1/5.

FOURTH—1 1/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,000.
Green Bowler . . . (Snider) 10.50 5.30 3.60
Silver Plate . . . (Chestnut) . . . 5.40 4.00
Journal . . . (Atkinson) . . . 5.60
Also ran—Hearth Mouse, Justa Note, Mountain Lion, Jolly Soul, Royal Stew, Bimont, Valkarine, Vinsurlough. Time—1:46.

FIFTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 3-year-olds; \$3,500.
Cheops . . . (Snider) 11.60 5.00 3.50
Whirl Blast . . . (Dodson) . . . 3.90 3.00
Scotch Elm . . . (Roberts) . . . 3.70
Also ran—Mahlima, Joe Olsen, Friedy. Time—1:24 1/5.

SIXTH—7 furlongs; the Seminole handicap; added; 3-year olds; \$10,000.
Citation . . . (Snider) 2.80 2.10 2.10
Delegate . . . (Atkinson) . . . 2.10 2.10
c-Armed . . . (Dodson) . . . 2.10
Also ran—b-Wide Wing, c-Faultless, b-Gestapo, Tavistock, Round View, Buzfuz, b-Mariet stable. c-Calumet farm. Time—1:23.

SEVENTH—1 1/16 miles; claiming; 4-year olds and up; \$3,000.
Townhouse . . . (Atkinson) 8.40 3.80 3.40
Adelphia . . . (Snider) . . . 3.50 3.00
Bronze Medal . . . (Gifford) . . . 4.20
Also ran—St. Jock, Manor Miss, Go Devil, Mr Dumjohn, Reno Uptart, Right Happy, Estonian, Sweep Swinger, Narcissus. Time—1:45 2/5.

EIGHTH—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3,000.
Count Quick . . . (Gifford) 10.60 4.20 3.30
Mumbo Jumbo . . . (Atkins) . . . 3.40 2.90
The Muffin . . . (Reick) . . . 3.90
Also ran—Delightful, Outlander, Alta Pie, Jumping Jack, Tryandguess, Gypsy Lane, Rio Reich. Time—1:44.

AL'S SELECTIONS

1—Egretta, Eternal Za, Ice Cap. . .
2—Duchess Argyle, Rosemere Dee, Santa's Vixen.
3—Sophocles, Edemgee, Arrogance.
4—Colossal, Eb, Vansiam.
5—Kay Gibson, Love Sonnet, Red Rouge.
6—Peace Law, Stud Poker, Riskolater.
7—Aralak, Waterproof, Archer.
8—Bluel, Anako, Nick Kenny.

Brecheen Sends Back Card Contract

ADA, Okla., Feb. 11 (UP).—Harry (the cat) Brecheen, taciturn pitcher of the St. Louis Cardinals, revealed today he has sent his unsigned 1948 contract back to the club and was asking for more money.

The St. Louis hurler, who lives here during the off season, had little to say about his contract negotiations, except to explain that the "big boy" of the Cardinal front office probably hasn't had much time to devote to salary matters.

He didn't say whether the "big boy" was Bob Hannegan, former Postmaster General who headed the syndicate that recently bought the Cardinals from Sam Breadon.

Expect 3,000 at Anti-UMT Assembly

Daily Worker Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—Three thousand of the nation's youth are expected here Sunday to attend a two-day convention protesting administration plans to push through universal military training legislation.

The meeting has been called by the National Youth Assembly against UMT.

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US Gags Greek News After Officer Brags

The U. S. Army group in Greece yesterday clapped censorship over its field operations with the Greek Army after an American officer boasted he led a Greek platoon up a mountain slope under heavy guerilla machine-gun fire. The censorship decree, accord-

NLRB To Fight Closed Shop

DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 11.—Robert N. Denham, general counsel for the National Labor Relations Board, revealed today that the NLRB is planning to wipe out the traditional closed shop in the building trades.

In a speech to the Associated General Contractors, a building trades employer group here, Denham said the Board is working on a program to conduct union shop elections in the building trades. He said he had been assured that many AFL craft leaders in the industry would accept the union shop instead of the closed shop, which was outlawed by the Taft-Hartley law.

He also said the government would dictate settlements of jurisdictional disputes which result in strikes.

The closed shop has existed in the building trades for generations.

Ernst

(Continued from Page 3) then force them to comply with the law, he said.

Ernst recommended that Congress use the postal laws and the taxing power to force organizations to make public their membership, financial receipts and disbursements.

To prove he was a "liberal," Ernst lumped the Communist Party with the Ku Klux Klan, and insisted both organizations would be covered by his plan. He conceded disclosure of this sort "will hurt some little boobs by costing them their jobs."

Ernst defended procedures of the "loyalty purge" of federal employees. He praised the FBI and said it was justified in not revealing the names of informers.

Raymond Moley, an associate on the staff of Newsweek magazine and professor of public law at Columbia University, urged laws banning the Communist Party from the ballot.

Albany Hearing

(Continued from Page 3) backed by the Policemen's Benevolent Association, the Uniformed Firemen, and the officers of the Fire Department.

Opposition to the fare increase came from the Citizens Legislative Conference, representing 55 organizations the City CIO, the State American Labor Party, the Communist Party, the Progressive Citizens of America and the National Lawyers Guild.

"Unprecedented profits of 17 billion dollars are being piled up" argued Lillian Gates, spokesman for the Communist Party. "The sound policy would be to tax these profits."

The crowded chamber was especially moved by the pleas of four mothers, one a war widow, that the child care centers be kept going to keep them off relief.

ing to United Press, stipulates that "all requests for information from news media will be referred to the PIO (Public Information Officer) at Athens."

Issued by Maj. Gen. William G. Livesay, head of the U. S. Military Mission, the ruling contradicts the Greek-American agreement of June 20, which provides for full coverage of activities of Americans in Greece.

RESULT OF COLONEL'S BRAG

The ruling was taken to be a result of the statements made to reporters by U. S. Col. Augustus J. Regnier yesterday when he returned, according to his story, from a pursuit of the Democratic Army troops who shelled Salonika Tuesday.

He said he took the lead because the Greek major commanding the battalion was hesitant about pushing his troops forward in the face of the heavy fire of guerilla mortars.

"Will you go forward if I do," Regnier said he asked the major.

"Sure, pal," the major answered with a smile, according to Regnier.

"I led one platoon to the top-most mountain peak south of the lake, though I had to hit the dirt often. I saw plenty of bandits, and apparently, plenty of them saw me," he added.

A United Press dispatch from Salonika by Dan L. Thrapp reported the Democratic Army units had completed their withdrawal from positions on the hills above Salonika and discredited earlier reports issued by Greek military authorities.

Wallace to Tour Minnesota

In his first state speaking tour since he announced his independent candidacy for President, Henry Wallace will deliver major addresses in Minneapolis and Duluth during a three-day Minnesota tour late this month, the national Wallace for President Committee announced yesterday.

Announcement of Wallace's tour coincided with predictions by observers that he may win the Democratic-Farmer Labor Party nomination in that state, forcing President Truman to circulate petitions as an independent candidate there.

Elmer Benson, former Governor of Minnesota and chairman of the national Wallace for President Committee, said yesterday Wallace has the support of the majority of DFL members.

Court Fines Symonette \$100

Samuel T. Symonette, police brutality victim, was fined \$100 on a gambling charge yesterday in gambler's court and sentenced to six months in jail on a charge of disorderly conduct. The latter sentence was suspended.

Ask \$125,000,000 More to Arm Turkey

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Feb. 11. (UP).—The American Military Mission at Ankara said today that Turkey may receive an additional \$125,000,000 in aid.

Unions, MP's Defy Labor Gov't

LONDON, Feb. 11 (UP).—Twenty-one Labor members of Parliament joined 2,750,000 members of the Shipbuilders and Engineers Unions today in a revolt against Prime Minister Attlee's new wage ceiling policy.

The rebellious MP's defied the Labor Government by signing a motion in the House of Commons to reject the policy of "no more general wage increases" as "containing fallacious economic ideas."

Indict Murray

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Congress to regulate federal elections with the constitutional freedoms of speech and the press."

He added, however, that the Department would "enforce the statute."

Murray warned that the government's prosecution of the CIO could be extended to all newspapers, banks and corporations, he noted, are also prohibited from expending funds in connection with federal elections.

The CIO will move for dismissal of the indictment at the arraignment. Plans were announced to carry the case to the U. S. Supreme Court. Maximum penalty is \$5,000 fine for the CIO and \$1,000 for officers "who consent to the expenditure," plus a year in prison, or both.

By RUBY COOPER

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Trade union leaders available for comment here today strongly denounced the indictment of Philip Murray by a Federal grand jury and labeled it clear evidence of the Truman administration's complicity in the NAM-inspired drive against labor.

Maurice Travis, International Secretary - Treasurer, CIO Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers, said that when conservative labor leaders like Philip Murray is indicted by the Federal government for exercising the freedom of speech guaranteed in the U. S. constitution, it is clear that the administration is serving big business in an all out attack to destroy labor unions. This is the essence of fascism."

Grant W. Oakes, International president, CIO United Farm equipment workers, declared "the government's action against Philip Murray, obviously not without Truman administration knowledge, proves the Taft-Hartley law is indeed the step toward fascism which Murray labeled it last summer."

Joseph R. Hoden, chairman of the scale committee of the striking Chicago AFL Typographical Union No. 16, said "Murray's indictment is a part of the drive of the NAM to crush labor. Similar to the attacks now being leveled at the International Typographical Union. I extend my congratulations to Mr. Murray for his fight against the infamous Taft-Hartley law and our union will support him all the way."

Michael Mann, CIO, regional director, hit the indictment, Herbert March, district organizer, CIO United Packing House Workers, called the indictment "truly a step to fascism."



By BARNARD RUBIN

TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX and the potential exhibitors of its war-mongering film, The Iron Curtain, may not know it, but if and when the movie is shown publicly, they may have a lot of unexpected financial difficulties—in the form of libel suits.

What they should know—particularly the exhibitors—is that libel suits based on Iron Curtain "material" have already been successful.

Dr. David Shugar, one of the defendants in the Canadian "espionage" cases, which The Iron Curtain is about, has already successfully sued Time magazine, True magazine, the Ottawa Citizen and Le Droit, the French language daily paper of Ottawa.

Other defendants are suing on similar grounds.

The talk is that some of these defendants when the picture is released will sue, not only Twentieth Century Fox—but each and every theatre outfit which runs the film on its screen. . . .

TOWN TALK

Humphrey Bogart, as you probably know, made his big hit in The Petrified Forest. When Bogart was scared silly by the Un-American Committee one Broadwayite suggested that he be known as Humphrey (Petrified) Bogart. . . .

That "going out of business" sign on the Broadway haberdashery shop between 46 and 47 Sts. is frightening a lot of the Main Stem's business people. Signs like that haven't been seen around Broadway for a long time. . . .

Fred Allen and the National Broadcasting Company received many a protest call because of Senator Claghorn's anti-Soviet gags. They're the same gags which were used against Hitler during the war and are now simply being given an anti-Soviet switch. . . .

The National Theatres Chain is opening its entire circuit of nearly 600 movie houses to screen advertising. . . .

The U. S. Supreme Court's time for daily adjournment is 4:30 p.m. Last Monday the Justices were listening to the movie industry monopoly cases and Loew's counsel John W. Davis was arguing. Along came 4:30, the gavel banged down and the court adjourned right in the middle of a sentence being spoken by counsel. . . .

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA

The Magazine of the Future, sort of a British parallel to Fortune magazine here, in its current issue gazes into the future to see what Britain looks like in 1955.

Reporting on the cinema, its story notes that "Prized for their rarity, the slim quota of Hollywood films took their place alongside their European rivals in the years of austerity . . . many cinemas can only exhibit one American picture in the course of a whole year." As an illustration for the story there's a photo of a London theatre advertising "The one and only American film of this year." The marquee, as usual, claims it's the "Terrific and stupendous story of a woman for whom men love to die" and that it's all in "Supercolor."

The photo shows only two customers for the film. . . .

The Theatre Guild radio show may be sold for television. . . . Victor Borge joining the disc jockey ranks. . . .

WMCA will do a round-table discussion on the Kinsey Report—Sexual Behavior of the Human Male. . . .

Menasha Skulnik, the Jewish comedian, opens at La Martinique Friday. It's his first Broadway night club appearance. He'll have to double from the Second Avenue Theatre where he's starring in the Yiddish musical, The Big Shot. . . .

NEWSPAPER TALK

A lot of tumult over at the New Republic. Managing Editor Edd Johnson resigned last week in the wake of firings and resignations of about a dozen staff members.

On publisher Michael Straight's orders, Johnson had started a series of economy firings, which he claims now were unnecessary. He points to the increase in the magazine's circulation in the last year up to 100,000. . . .

This comes from a Denver newspaper man. He says that the telegraph editor of a Denver newspaper complained to a county correspondent about the omission of names in the stories he was sending. He wrote the man that if he neglected this essential detail in his next yarn, he would be discharged.

A few days later, the editor got the following dispatch:

"Como, Colo., June 8.—A severe storm passed over this section this afternoon and lightning struck a barbed-wire fence on the ranch of Henry Wilson, killing three cows—their names being Jessie, Bessie and Buttercup."

See you in the week-end Worker. . . .

MURRAY THREATENS CIO COUNCILS ON WALLACE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (UP).—CIO president Philip Murray has advised all CIO regional directors and industrial union council officials they "should be governed" by national CIO policy on the Henry A. Wallace third party and European Recovery Plan issues, it was revealed tonight.

His advice was given in a letter to 387 industrial union councils, 34 regional directors, and 100 lesser officials. Murray has no authority to remove an officer of any CIO affiliate. But he can remove regional officers of the national CIO, as well as industrial union council members and employees.